

# CRAWFORD COUNTY AVALANCHE

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## Plans being set for upcoming Kirtland's Warbler Festival

### Crawford County 'farmer' is one of featured men

by Eric Gaertner  
News Editor

One of Michigan's foremost artists, a Crawford County photographer, scores of new events and activities, and a huge raffle are just a few of the highlights of this year's Kirtland's Warbler Festival, set for Saturday and Sunday, May 17 and 18.

The Kirtland's warbler, a small and endangered bird, is the namesake of the place where the festival will be held, Kirtland Community College (KCC). Tentative plans for the festival were announced at a 10 a.m. news conference Monday, Jan. 13, at the college's Continuing Education Center.

The festival was designed to celebrate the gradual return of the Kirtland's warbler and its home in the Jack Pine and AuSable River ecosystems.

"The aim of the festival is at helping folks become more aware of our precious woodland resources and the importance of preserving the wildlife habitat of our area," said Linda Barnes, KCC consultant and chairperson of the 1997 festival.

One man who has shown the importance of the wildlife habitat is Jeremy Jones, with his 160-acre farm in Crawford County. Jones' farm has been set up as a wetland area in which a lot of wildlife come to.

Jones, the 1997 Warbler Festival's featured photographer, has photographed more than 140 different species of birds which have come to his wetlands.

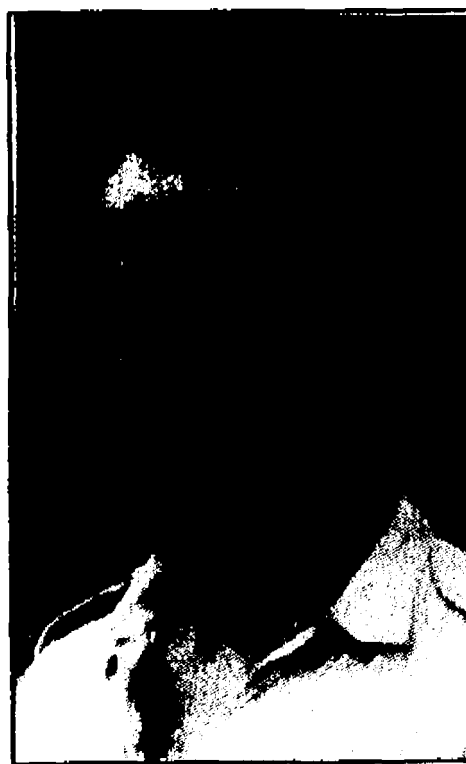
The management goals of the Crawford County farm have been constant; to enhance the area through the development of uplands and wetlands for the benefit of nature. Through



Jeremy Jones

his photography of the wildlife on his farm, Jones is now recognized as one of the finest bird photographers in Michigan.

In addition to Jones, the festival's featured artist is Gijsbert van Frank-



Gijsbert van Frankenhuyzen

enhuyzen, an award-winning wildlife artist who served for years as the art director for the Michigan Resources magazine.

Denny Olson from North Folk, ID, will be the featured presenter at the festival. Olson is a nationally known biologist, geologist, writer and entertainer.

There is no admission fee to see these featured persons, or for any of the activities of this year's festival. However, as a fund-raising scheme, the festival planning committee has launched a raffle which promises the winner a six-day, five-night trip for two to the Bahamas, the winter home of the Kirtland's warbler.

While many of the activities will help people learn about wildlife and the environment, said Barnes, people also will have the opportunity to participate in a number of fun activities. Some of the activities include: take a tour to see the Kirtland's warbler; learn to fly-fish; attend a band concert; take an all-day, in-the-water workshop on canoeing and kayaking; enter a photo contest; visit a crafts show; and learn from nature experts about a number of species in the wildlife.

There are several activities planned for youngsters including: special school appearances by Olson and other wildlife experts; nature tours at North

Higgins Lake State Park; the Warbler Maze and a kid's fishing pond. There are plans for area scout groups to camp in the woods surrounding the campus and to earn merit badges and awards during the festival.

The news conference provided an

opportunity for the planners to show off the festival's new web page on the Internet. KCC will maintain and update the web site each week with new information as the festival draws near. The web page address is <http://www.kirtland.cc.mi.us/~warbler/>.

## Camp Grayling unit says goodbye

### Deployment of area soldiers could last 153-270 days

by Eric Gaertner  
News Editor

Family, friends and Camp Grayling members and officials were on hand Saturday, Jan. 11, for an emotional "send off" gathering for the 24 National Guard soldiers who were scheduled for deployment to Europe on a peace-keeping mission.

The gathering was held at the Camp Grayling Armory for approximately an hour before the 23 men and one woman boarded the bus to begin their long deployment to Europe for the mission.

The members of the 1439th Engineer Detachment (Firefighting), stationed at Camp Grayling, were originally mobilized for federal duty on Dec. 31. The soldiers are scheduled for 153-day long mission.

After boarding the bus Saturday, the trip began by traveling to the Phelps Collins Air National Guard Base in Alpena. The unit then boarded a C-17 plane for the overseas trip to Germany. The unit was scheduled to be deployed from Germany to two areas near Tazsar, Hungary.

The unit soldiers, who range in age from 18 to 58, were sent over to as part of a rotation troops. The Camp Grayling soldiers took the place of a different unit which was sent back home to the United States.

The unit's mission, as trained firefighters, is to support NATO peacekeeping operations in Europe. The peacekeeping operation centers around the incident involving Bosnia.

Half of the unit members will be providing crash and safety coverage for planes in Hungary, said Lt. Col. Jerold Foehl, Camp Grayling's public affairs officer. The other half of the unit is scheduled to provide the same type of firefighting safety for vehicles and residences.

These soldiers have been trained and certified individually and as a unit. Foehl said. They are trained to provide such rescue techniques as opening jammed doors, removing

victims and being able to shut down a running engine following a crash.

Led by First Lieutenant Raymond Orr, commander of the Detachment, and Staff Sergeant Paul Smith, the unit First Sergeant, they will be deployed for 153 days, possibly extending to 270 days, under authority of a Presidential call-up.

**"You won't be forgotten by us. Good luck. God speed. We will all be thinking of you."**

— Col. Gary J. McConnell,  
Camp Grayling Commander

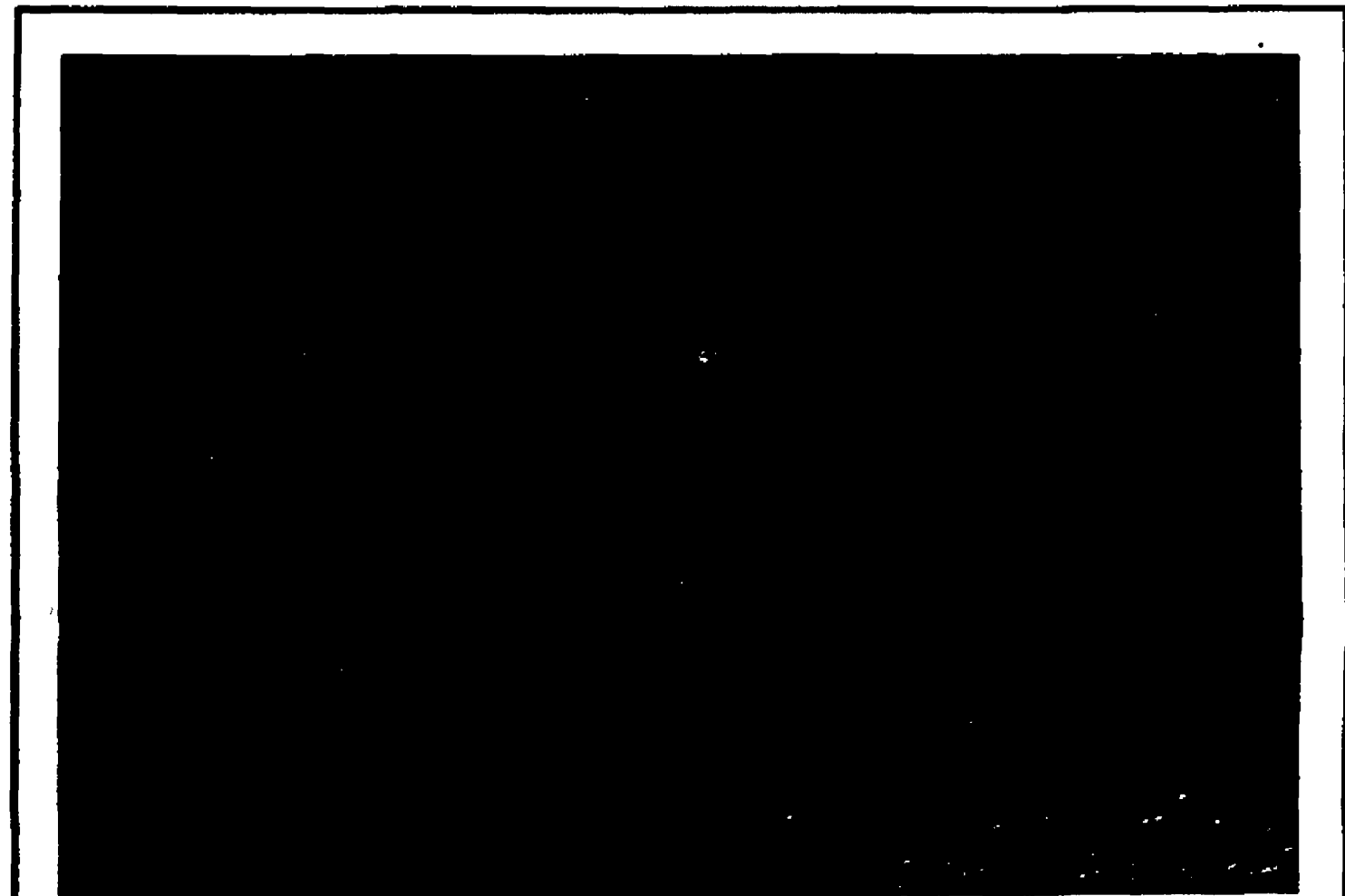
Most of the members in the unit had been through the send off and a deployment before, as units 1439 and 1440 were sent to Saudia Arabia during Operation Desert Storm. However, Foehl said that each year there are some new members in each unit with turnover, so some soldiers were experiencing the situation for the first time.

"You won't be forgotten by us," said Col. Gary J. McConnell, Camp Grayling commander during the send-off ceremony. "Good luck. God speed. We will all be thinking of you."

Chaplain Kendall recited a prayer for the families and for the safe return of the soldiers.

After a few hugs and goodbyes with family members, the National Guard soldiers were issued their weapon and a care package before heading on their mission at 6:15 p.m. Saturday.

The care packages, containing items from deodorant to gum, were put together by the Grayling VFW Auxiliary 3726 and Roscommon VFW Auxiliary 4159.



**REDDISH TREES**--This is a photo taken with infrared film from a helicopter. This is a photo of Little Bear Point of Lake Margrethe. See page 1B for more details on the "infrared" study.

## City of Grayling's case set for trial on Jan. 21 in district court

### Railway near Michigan Avenue in question

by Eric Gaertner  
News Editor

The court date has been set for a case involving a railway company and the City of Grayling.

The plaintiff, Lake State Railway Company, and the defendant, the City of Grayling, will have their case heard in 83rd District Court in the Crawford County Courthouse on Jan. 21 at 1:30 p.m.

The case will be heard by District Judge Francis Walsh. The case was originally adjourned from Nov. 19 by the court.

The new date of the trial was made public at the Monday, Jan. 13, Grayling City Council meeting. The item was brought up during the communications and petitions segment of the council agenda.

The case involves the charging of funds for railway signal maintenance. The item in question is the railway near the county courthouse on Michigan Avenue.

According to City Manager Jerry Morford, the question is where Michigan Avenue ends. City officials contend that the city road ends prior to the

railway crossing, with the courthouse parking lot on the other side of the railway.

The question is whether Michigan Avenue crosses the railway, Morford said.

## Snowmobile enforcement nets arrests

by Lisa Hofman  
Staff Reporter

Over the New Year holiday a Department of Natural Resources (DNR) snowmobile patrol was set up to intercept snowmobile operators who were acting in an unsafe manner.

However, due to the warm weather the patrol only checked 250-300 machines, reported Mike Mol, a DNR representative.

During the seven hour checking period 12 arrests were made. According to Mol, majority of the arrests were made after snowmobile operators were driving too fast for conditions. Others were arrested for roadway and railroad violations. Three were nabbed because they had no registration.

This is the second year for the DNR patrol. Last year's patrol was in Houghton Lake, which netted numerous Operating Under the Influence of Liquor violations.

Twice as many machines were checked at the same time last year. "If the snow conditions persist, we'll have a couple more patrols later on in the season," Mol said.

## Bill Cannon joins county road board

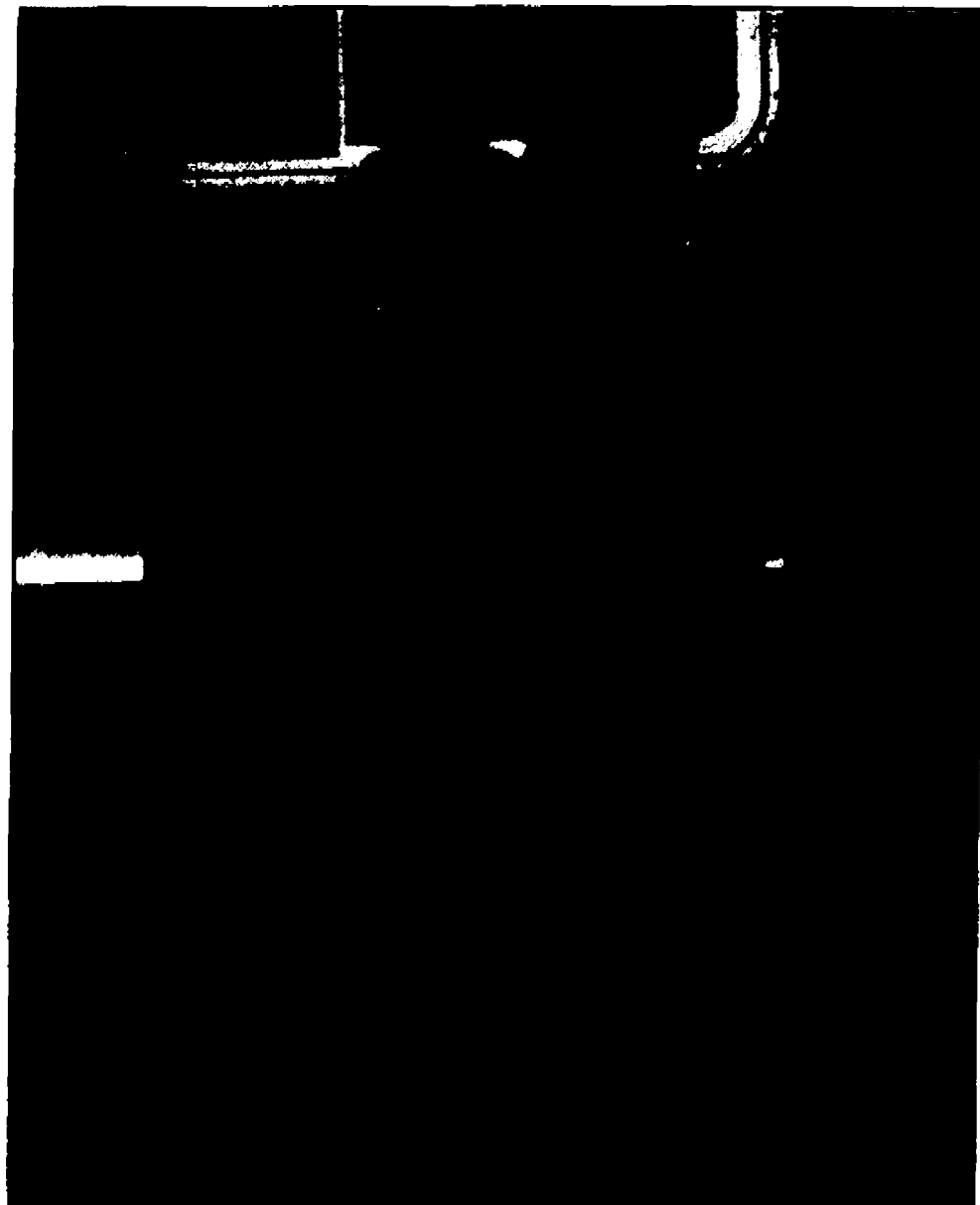
When the Road Commission for Crawford County conducted its organizational meeting Thursday, Jan. 9, a new road commissioner took part in his first meeting.

Bill Cannon was appointed to fill the seat on the three-member board. The Crawford County Board of Commissioners made the appointment at their Jan. 2 meeting. Cannon, who is a resident of Grayling, was named as chairman of the road commission's organizational meeting. Ray Cannon, who is a resident of Grayling, was named as vice-chairman. The third road commissioner is John Nelson, who is a resident of Grayling. Cannon will serve for the next year.

Kenneth Chapp's road commission seat was up at the end of 1996. Three county commissioners conducted interviews for the open position on Jan. 17.

The interviews were conducted by the Crawford County Board of Commissioners and former County Commissioner Robert McLachlan. Cannon was selected for the position.

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**EMOTIONAL SEND OFF** -- It was hard for family members and unit troops to part company. The Camp Grayling soldiers headed for deployment to Europe. Photo by Eric Gaertner

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## Local officials look at process to use state land

by Eric Gaertner  
News Editor

A group of area officials met Tuesday, Jan. 7 to discuss possible future transitions of ownership of properties from state to county/township/city governments.

These levels of government in Crawford County are interested in the process of using portions of state land for recreational purposes.

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners had approved a motion at their meeting Jan. 7 instructing Chairman Bruce Bretzke to meet with Department of Environmental Quality officials.

The meeting was held after the county board meeting on Jan. 7 at 3 p.m. at Grayling Township Hall. In addition to Bretzke, others in attendance included Grayling Township

Supervisor Terry Wright, Department of Natural Resources official Jim McMillan, Grayling City Manager Jerry Morford and Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Jerry Meyers. The meeting was set up by Rep. Allen Lowe (R-Grayling).

Some of the properties discussed at the meeting were Keystone, Burton, White Pine, Canoe Camp and the Rayburn property. The Rayburn property involves a road including 100 feet on either side of the center line that crossed the former Rayburn property from North Down River Road to M-72 East.

At the county board meeting, commissioners also made it known that the board supports county/township/city endeavors for use of state land for recreational purposes.

The purpose of the meeting was to determine the process of getting properties turned over to area government agencies from the state. The meeting did not allow for any properties to be turned over.

According to Bretzke, the initial outcome of the meeting was that the state official pointed out that the state can not give up riverfront property, unless given the okay through legislation. Most of the properties discussed were along the riverfront.

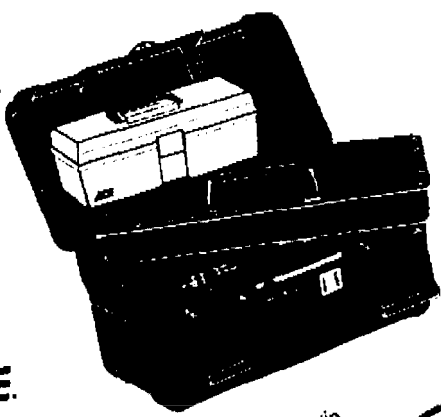
The concept of turning property over to local government will be looked into further, working with Lowe through possible legislation.



**NEW SCHOOL NURSE**—Barbara McNamara, school nurse, visits Grayling High School to schedule rooms for vision screening. McNamara, the first school nurse that CASD has had since 1981, works two days a week under the federal government's Strong Families/Safe Children Initiative. (Nancy Lemmen Photo)

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## BITS OF TALK

By Fay Bovee

George and Arlene Stevens of Lake Linden spent several days with their sister and husband, Corrine and Bruce Smith, over the holidays.

Bev and Bill Halliday entertained with their annual New Year's Eve and New Year's Day get-together. Out-of-town guests were the Bryan Danes of Grand Rapids, the Frank Cooks of Lansing, Tom Hendrickson and Anne Marie Church of New Jersey, and the Gary Churches of Petoskey.

## Long period without school nurse is over

By Nancy Lemmen

The Crawford AuSable School District (CASD) has a school nurse again, thanks to the federal government's Strong Families/Safe Children Initiative.

Barbara McNamara has been employed by the District No. 1 Health Department as the school nurse, working two days a week, starting last fall.

The school district has not had a school nurse since 1981.

McNamara graduated from the University of Michigan with a bachelor of science degree in nursing. Presently retired after 21 years active duty as a nurse for the United States Navy, she is studying for a master's degree in nursing through Michigan State University. She plans to become a family nurse practitioner.

As the CASD's school nurse, McNamara's main duties are addressing the health care needs of pre-kindergarten through fifth-grade students and acting as a health resource for problems, concerns and education. McNamara said that, in her new position, she hopes to improve

children's ability to learn through meeting their health care needs.

"The position as school nurse has great potential to improve health care among students," she said.

Much of McNamara's work is at AuSable Primary School, where Barbara Mick is principal.

"Barb has been a great help to us by providing her expertise to child study," said Mick. "She's a super resource and we're thrilled to have her on board."

McNamara also works extensively with students at the two elementary buildings.

"(Barb) has been a blessing," said Melvin (Pat) Nunn, principal at Frederic Elementary School. "She's been an excellent addition to the staff. She has also become part of our child study team and makes a Tuesday 8 o'clock meeting with us."

McNamara has lived in Grayling with her husband William, a medical doctor with the Family Practice Clinic, since 1994.

When not working, she enjoys traveling and skiing.

## Lowe completes another perfect attendance term

House Republican Leader Ken Sikkema praised state Rep. Allen Lowe (R-Grayling) for maintaining a perfect attendance record throughout the 1995-96 legislative session, one of the most productive periods in recent memory.

"Allen is on the job every day," said Sikkema (R-Grandville). "He helps constituents, improves legislation in committee and shapes major public policy on the House floor. Allen remains a major force in enacting our agenda."

A legislative highlight was a measure giving the Michigan Veterans' Trust Fund constitutional protection from budget raids. Lowe sponsored the plan and guided it through the House Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs Committee. His resolution, eventually called Proposal C, was overwhelmingly approved by state voters in November 1996.

"The ballot proposal victory demonstrates how the public and elected officials can make a difference by working together," Lowe said. "While we debate important state issues, I always am concerned about the needs of 105th District residents."

"That's why attendance is so important. As the voice of area constituents, I must be involved as policies are enacted," Lowe said. "It's my responsibility and privilege to be a part of that process."

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Dental x-rays enable the dentist to detect abnormalities and disease that cannot be seen by visual examination alone. X-rays can show areas of decay between the teeth. They can detect the level of bone surrounding the teeth and areas of infection and bone loss around and at the end of the roots. Also, cancer, tumors, cysts and impacted teeth can be diagnosed with the aid of x-ray examination. Without x-ray examination and treatment planning is not possible.

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# Safe ice fishing is not as hard as it seems

by Lisa Hofman  
Staff Reporter

When beginning to ice fish, treat all ice as unsafe until the ice is checked for thickness.

When traveling on ice, the ice should be at least three-inches thick for foot traffic, six inches thick for off-road vehicles or snowmobile traffic and at least 12 inches thick for vehicle traffic.

To test the ice, use a chisel and chip at the ice while traveling to the fishing destination.

However, getting on to the ice can be treacherous because shallow water along the shoreline rarely freezes. Shallow water in the middle of a lake, as well as spring-fed lakes have a tendency to have thinner ice. The more snow that is on top of a lake the thinner the ice will be.

When water freezes it expands. That expansion has to be compensated for, pressure cracks result. On inland lakes in Crawford County pressure cracks rarely form.

However, according to Steve Sendek, fisheries biologist with the Department of Natural Resources, on both Houghton and Higgins lakes, as well as larger lakes, these pressure cracks will form. Wind can also chip away at the ice.

Also, based on the wind, pressure cracks can be pulled apart to form gaps in the ice or can be pushed together to form ridges in the ice.

"On Houghton Lake, some of these ridges can be three feet high," Sendek said.

Sendek said that pressure cracks form over time, not instantaneously. "The only time that these cracks form quickly is on the Great Lakes," Sendek said. "It can occur in minutes and people can become stranded."

When fishermen become stranded they should remain where they are until someone finds them.

When ice fishing, all fishermen should bring along the following items:

a personal flotation device or boat cushion, a set of hand-held spikes and 100 feet of rope. Fishermen should also dress warmly because hypothermia and frostbite can occur even when a shanty is being used.

When fishing, the flotation device should be worn or attached to the body.

Spikes should be kept in pockets or around the fisherman's neck when fishing.

"When fishermen fall in the water their clothes become wet and very heavy," Sendek said. "With the weight dragging them down it is often hard to grab onto the ice and pull themselves to safety."

With a spike in each hand the fishermen can dig the spikes into the ice and pull themselves out of the water.

The rope can be used to pull others to safety if they fall in the water.

To dig the hole for ice fishing, use an auger or a chisel. Holes should be no more than six or seven inches in diameter.

Most ice fishermen use a shanty when fishing. With a shanty, fishermen can fish at any time regardless of the temperature.

Some even use a space heater to keep the shanty even warmer. Sendek warns that when using a heater carbon monoxide poisoning is a threat.

"Open the door regularly to make sure the shanty is vented properly," Sendek said.

Sendek stated that the heater is not strong enough to melt the ice inside the shanty.

Shanties can be left on the lake all night until March 15 when they must be removed. However, each day after March 15, shanties can be dragged back onto the ice, but they must be removed each night.

When moving a shanty, fishermen should put a stick in the ice to notify other fishermen that a shanty had been there. People should approach these areas with caution.



THE HAGERMANS -- Kim, left, and Jack, Kim's father.

## Hagermans doing well after kidney transplant

Jack Hagerman, Grayling, received a liver transplant on Nov. 5, 1992; 22 days later his kidneys failed.

He began going to dialysis in Traverse City three times a week for four and a half hours each day.

While on dialysis, Jack was limited in the amount of liquids he could have, could barely walk and would have to schedule things much in advance if he planned to take a trip.

"To visit my sisters in Atlanta, Ga. for one week in April, it would take from the beginning of January to the end of February to make reservations for the use of the dialysis machine in Atlanta," Jack said.

In May 1995, Jack's wife, Sharon, and daughter, Kim, went in for blood testing to see who would be the most compatible to donate one of their kidneys to Jack.

When testing blood "there are six possible categories for matching," said Kim. "I matched my father in five out of six categories."

It was decided that Kim would donate one of her kidneys to her father because "I've never had any kidney problems and I was young," Kim said.

"When the hospital called to tell me the transplant could be scheduled, I was shocked. I wasn't prepared mentally," Kim said.

"I felt it would have been easier for me to stay on dialysis than to have (Kim) go on dialysis so young if something happened to her kidneys," Jack said.

The transplant took place Jan. 3,

1996. Kim and Jack each spent over five hours in surgery. The transplant was successful.

"This year my nephews acquired tickets to the judo competition at the Olympics in Atlanta. I was able to fly down at a moments notice. If I had still been on dialysis I never would have been able to go," Jack said.

Even though Kim only has one kidney, "everything is the same with me physically, except I have to watch my fat intake closely, but we should all do that," Kim said.

Although she is physically the same, Kim's mental state changed dramatically. "I view things differently. I have more patience and I spend more time with my family," Kim said.

Jack has improved so much physically he started his own business recently. Called "Stuff your Stuff" the storage business started with the help of numerous family members.

"None of this would have ever been possible without someone losing a loved one," Jack said.

When Jack received his liver transplant, someone died and the family donated the victims organs.

From that same victim, at least three others were saved because one person received the heart and two others each received a kidney from the victim.

"I want to encourage people to donate their organs. Discuss it with your family because even if it is on your driver's license family members must still be asked for the donation," Kim said.

## Dean, Hubbard wed

Betsy Michele Dean, daughter of Michael and Nancy Dean of Grayling, and Shawn Patrick Hubbard, son of Alan and Shelley Hubbard also of Grayling, were united in marriage on Saturday, July 27, 1996 at a 4 o'clock ceremony at Trinity Lutheran Church in Traverse City. Rev. Charles Gieschen performed the ceremony.

Serving as matron of honor was Lori VanHoesen of Grand Ledge, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Lindsey Brinks of Grayling, friend of the bride, and Carrie Hubbard of Grayling, sister of the groom. Flowergirl was Kelly Adams of Mount Clemens, cousin of the bride.

Serving as best man was Scott Hubbard of Auburn Hills, brother of the groom. Groomsman were Evan Bluemer of Kalamazoo and John Clemmons of Plainwell, friends of the groom. Ringbearer was Christopher Adams of San Diego, cousin of the

bride.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the Holiday Inn in Traverse City.

The couple took a wedding trip to the Upper Peninsula and are now residing in Kalamazoo.



Mr. and Mrs. Shawn Hubbard

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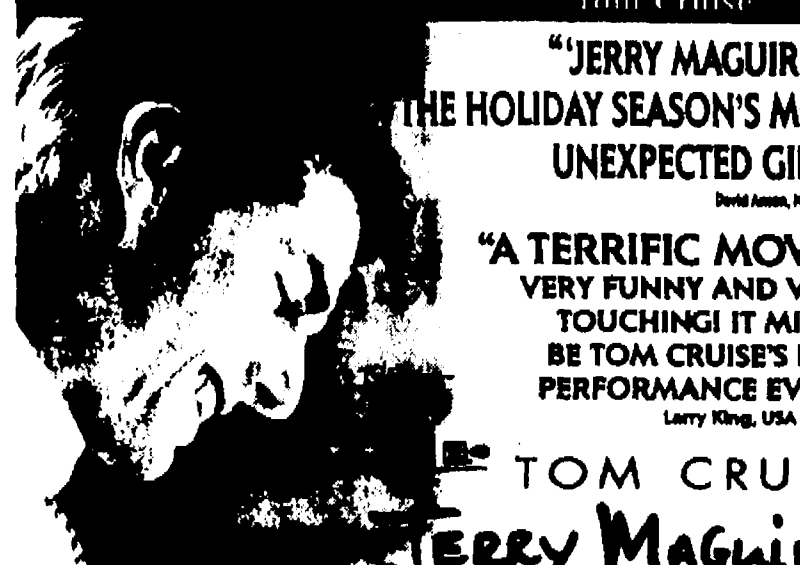
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## Ski Conditions Report

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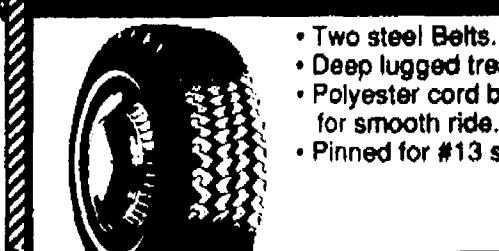
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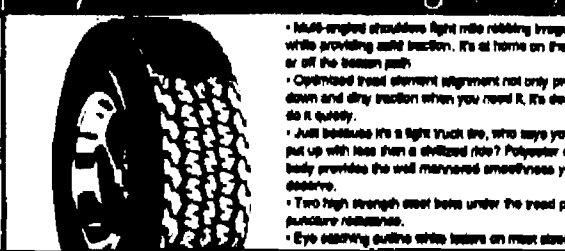
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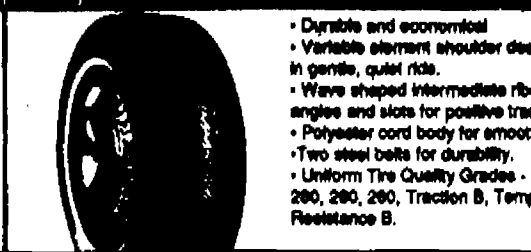
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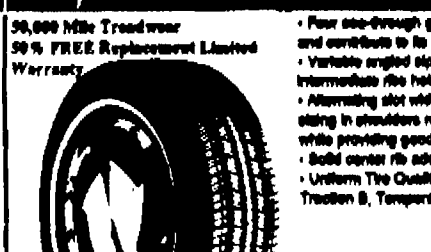
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# COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

## Chamber raffle to be worth \$10,000

The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce annual meeting and raffle could be worth \$10,000. Tickets to the meeting are \$100 per couple and available at the chamber office. The event will take place Jan. 18, beginning at 6 p.m., at the Grayling Holiday Inn.

## Europe's small wonders to be presented

On Thursday, Jan. 16, the Crawford AuSable Community Education Program will present its fourth program of the Travel and Adventure Film Series at 7:30 p.m. in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School. The countries of Andorra, Luxembourg and Liechtenstein will be highlighted in the program.

## Lowe to meet residents

State Rep. Allen Lowe (R-Grayling) will meet with Crawford County residents on Wednesday, Jan. 22. The 105th District lawmaker is available for public office hours in the basement meeting room of the Crawford County Courthouse in Grayling from 10 to 11 a.m. "No appointment is necessary and everyone should feel free to stop by," Lowe said. "I am eager to listen to the concerns of local residents." Anyone wishing to contact Lowe by phone can call 517-373-0829.

## SHARE distribution time changed

SHARE distribution will be Friday, Jan. 24, from 1:30-3 p.m. at the Reorganized Church of the Latter Day Saints on N. Down River Road.

## Spartans earn honors recognition

Michigan State University recently announced that Bridget Black, Frederic, and Amber Berglin, Grayling, were members of the fall semester honors list. Black, a civil engineering major, and Berglin, a finance major, earned a minimum grade point average of 3.5 to be members of the honors list.

## Winner for Lions announced

Betty Pringle was a \$100 winner of the Lions drawing.

## County dilemmas settled at Jan. 7 board meeting

by Eric Gaertner  
News Editor

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners put an end to a couple of issues which had caused a dilemma for the board members.

The commissioners agreed to accept the Crawford County Housing Commission's recommendation for housing specialist and also made an appointment for a road commission seat which was in question.

The motion to table the motion for a housing specialist appointment was removed at the Jan. 7 county board meeting. The tabled motion was made at the board's Dec. 18 meeting. That motion was to appoint Gerald Balmes as the housing specialist.

The Balmes appointment from the housing commission was agreed upon by the county commissioners at the Jan. 7 meeting. As the new Housing Rehabilitation Specialist/Inspector, Balmes will be the housing commission's field man.

The removing of the tabled motion came from a recommendation from Commissioner John Hartman. Hartman was one of the commissioners sent to look into the housing commission's interviewing and recommendation process. Commissioner Dennis Long was the other board member directed to look at the matter.

The controversy concerning the interviewing process came to light when it was learned that only eight applicants were given interviews out of 10 total applicants.

The situation surrounding a possible vacant Road Commission For Crawford County seat was put to rest at the board's Jan. 7 meeting.

Raymond Swiercz, who has been a road commission member, was reappointed to fill the remaining four years of a six-year term. Swiercz originally was appointed to fill the open seat when the elected road commissioner died in March of 1995.

The term length of Swiercz's appointment came into question when the policy changed from road commissioners being elected to appointed. The county board of commissioners changed the method of selection to ap-

pointed by a Feb. 20, 1996 resolution. The resolution took effect Jan. 1.

After the Attorney General's office decided not to issue an opinion on the situation, Crawford County Prosecutor John Huss provided his opinion at the Jan. 7 board meeting.

Huss told commissioners that Swiercz's position should be vacated. Swiercz should be reappointed or some else should be appointed.

The board decided to reappoint the road commissioner, and his term will run until Dec. 31, 2000.

In other county action, the commissioners gave their consensus to establish a Crawford County newsletter. The newsletter will be an in-house item which will allow for information to be provided to county employees and introduce new employees and officials.

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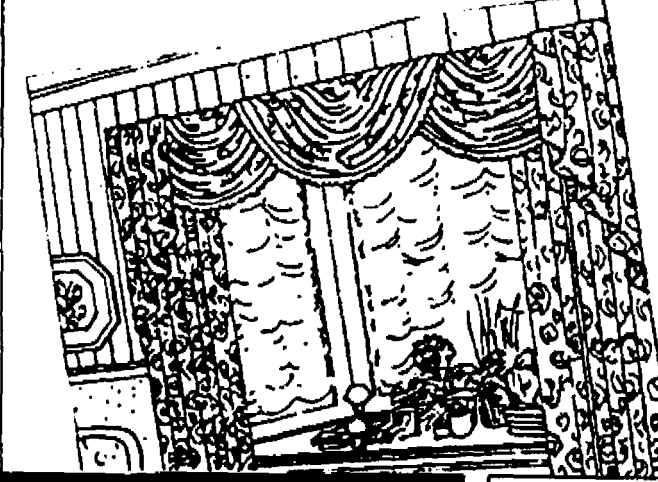
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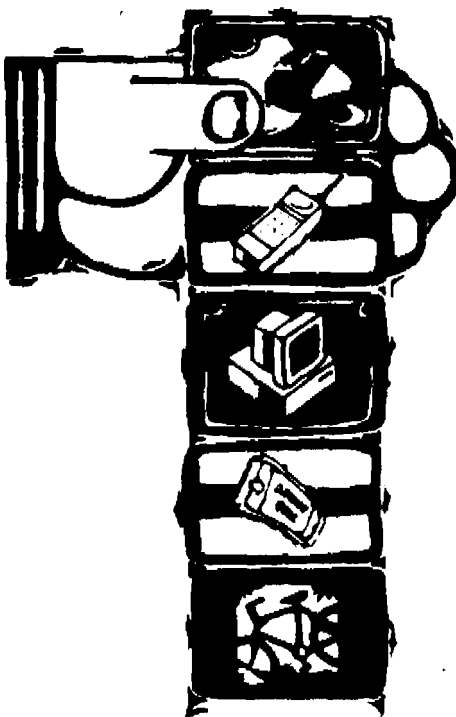
**Sheriff  
Patrol**

The Sheriff's Department of Crawford County dealt with the following 94 incidents from Jan. 6 through Jan. 13:

Ambulance (1), Assault (1), Larceny (5), Property Damage (4), Farm/Child (1), Public Peace (14), OUI/OUID (3), Citations (2);

Health and Safety (3), InvaPriv (1), Conservation (2), Miscellaneous Criminal Activity (3), Accidents (15), Non-traffic Accident (1), Parking Violation (1), Snowmobile (6), False Alarm (4), InspVeh (1), Civil/FT (2), Suspicious Situation (5), Missing Person (2) and General Non-Criminal (17).

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## High snow piles can cause problems, fines

Property owners piling snow high along roadways and shoulders or pushing it to the opposite side of the street without clearing debris can cause hazardous conditions for motorists, and The Road Commission For Crawford County warns that it is also against the law.

The Road Commission For Crawford County said state law (P.A. 82 of 1978) prohibits businesses and citizens from dumping snow on roadways and shoulders or piling it so high at driveway entrances that it obstructs the vision of motorists.

The road commission recommends residents keep the shoulder in front of their driveways clear for a short distance from the driveway in the direction of approaching traffic.

"That way the view of a motorist entering the roadway from a driveway is not obstructed," explained Road Commission Chairman Ray Swiercz.

"When clearing your driveway, push the snow away from the roadway and to the sides of the driveway for its full length and the problem of the high snow banks blocking a driver's view will be eliminated," added Vice-Chairman Bill Gannon.

Large businesses should make special arrangements ahead of time to remove snow from their driveway entrances and driveways. In some cases it may be necessary to truck snow away from parking facilities.

Violators leave themselves open to fines and lawsuits for public liability and property damage. For a charge to be filed, a police officer must witness the violation or a citizen must file a complaint.

All property owners and persons hired to remove snow are responsible for maintaining safe traffic conditions and preventing careless snow-removal techniques.

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## JANUARY 1997

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THURS. 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•HS FINAL EXAMS through the 17th.</li> <li>•WRESTLING at Onaway, 6 pm.</li> <li>•FRESH BBB vs. Whittemore-Prescott, home, 7 pm.</li> <li>•ADULT ED PRE-REGISTRATION @ HS, 9 am-5 pm and 6-9 pm through the 17th.</li> <li>•AP SECOND-GRADE CONCERT @ AP cafeteria, 7 pm.</li> <li>•TOPS (Take off Pounds Sensibly) @ Mercy Hospital Riverside Room, 5 pm. Call 275-9918 for more information.</li> <li>•AMICARE HOME HEALTHCARE Community Bereavement Support Group Meeting @ St. Mary's Learning Center, 3-5 pm.</li> <li>•SUPPORT GROUP MEETING for Fibromyalgia &amp; Chronic Fatigue Immune Dysfunction Syndrome patients &amp; families @ Mercy Hospital cafeteria, 7 pm. Call Laura @ 348-7423 for more information.</li> <li>•BEYOND THE GARDEN WALL CLUB @ St. Mary's Learning Center, 6:30 pm. For information call 348-7905.</li> <li>•GRAYLING RECREATION AUTHORITY meeting @ Hanson Hills, 7 pm.</li> </ul>
FRI. 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•BBB vs. Whittemore-Prescott, away, 6 pm.</li> <li>•END OF 2ND MARKING PERIOD.</li> <li>•EARLY DISMISSAL FOR ALL STUDENTS beginning with HS at 11:30 am.</li> </ul>
SAT. 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•JV VB vs. Tawas, away, 8 am.</li> <li>•VB @ Whittemore-Prescott, 9 am.</li> <li>•WRESTLING at Ithaca, 10 am.</li> </ul>
SUN. 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice today.</li> </ul>
MON. 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•SURVIVORS OF INCEST &amp; Sexual Abuse meeting @ New Life Community Services, 7-8:30 pm. Call 348-2544 for more information.</li> <li>•AMERICAN ASSOCIATION of Retired Persons meeting @ Commission on Aging, 1:30 pm.</li> <li>•MS BB vs. Houghton Lake, 7th home, 8th away, 5 pm.</li> <li>•SCHOOL BOARD MEETING @ MS conference room, 7 pm.</li> <li>•SCHOOL CLOSED for staff prof. development.</li> <li>•KIWANIS CLUB MEETING @ Iron Gate Restaurant, 12 noon.</li> </ul>
TUES. 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•BBB vs. Roscommon, away, 6 pm.</li> <li>•SCHOOL CLOSED for staff prof. development.</li> <li>•AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S Association dinner meeting @ 6:30 pm.</li> <li>•CONCERNED CITIZENS FOR ANIMALS meeting @ Milltown Groomers, 7 pm. for more information call 348-4117.</li> <li>•AUSABLE RIVER CANOE MARATHON meeting @ Mini-Mall race office, 7 pm.</li> </ul>
WED. 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•MS BBB vs. Roscommon, 7th away, 8th home, 5 pm.</li> <li>•VB @ Whittemore-Prescott, 6 pm.</li> <li>•FRESH BB vs. Roscommon, home, 7 pm.</li> <li>•REPORT CARDS sent home for grades 3-5.</li> <li>•LIONS CLUB MEETING @ Breakers Steak House, 6:30 pm.</li> <li>•COA BOARD MEETING @ Senior Citizen Center, 308 Lawndale Drive, 5:30 pm.</li> <li>•WEIGHT WATCHER'S meeting @ St. Francis Episcopal Church on M-72 W.; weigh-in 4:45 pm; meeting 5:30 pm. For more information call Sandy @ 348-5321.</li> </ul>



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## Are Americans Honest?

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Is our morality reaching the low described in the following Holy Scriptures? "None calleth for justice, nor any pleadeth for truth; they trust in vanity, and speak lies; they conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity." (Isaiah 59:4) "And judgment is turned away backward, and justice standeth afar off: for truth is fallen in the street, and equity cannot enter." (Isaiah 59:14) "And moreover I saw under the sun the place of judgment, that wickedness was there; and the place of righteousness, that iniquity was there." (Ecclesiastes 3:16) "Ye who turn judgment to wormwood, and leave off righteousness in the earth." (Amos 5:7) "Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!" (Isaiah 5:20) "Which justify

the wicked for reward, and take away the righteousness of the righteous from him!" (Isaiah 5:23) Most will admit that the above scriptures accurately picture the national evil trend deviating morality downward in America.

Missionaries coming back from pagan fields report a great contrast between honesty in our nation and that found in most third world countries. While they notice our moral degeneration, they find our morality still above that faced in pagan countries. Our Christian roots are the reason our nation is still one of the stronger moral nations. But we desperately need a spiritual revival and a return to the Bible integrity of our past.

"The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple. The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes. The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for ever: the

judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether." (Psalms 19:7-9) "And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." (John 8:32) "If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed." (John 8:36)

When Christ was on trial, Pilate looked at truth personified, and said, "What is truth?" (John 18:38) Are we treating God's truth in the Holy Bible the same way? Christ prayed: "Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth." (John 17:17)

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## River House faces new challenges this year

River House Shelter and Domestic Crisis Services is definitely more than just a shelter.

With the receipt of two new state grants, River House is further expanding its services for victims and their children. Also, due to increased requests from the counties, a second group for court-ordered batterers has started under the auspices of the shelter's Alternatives to Abuse Program.

The first new program, the Court Advocacy Project, has allowed River House to strengthen its legal advocacy efforts by hiring two court advocates (Jean Allen and Ann VanDuinen) who will spend time in each of the four counties served by River House (Jean in Crawford and Roscommon; Ann in Ogemaw and Oscoda) to assist victims in securing Personal Protection Orders, completing Victim Impact Statements, supporting counseling and follow-up.

Under this grant, there are also funds set aside to assist police and prosecutors in evidence collection and for the on-going training of law enforcement personnel. The goal of the Court

Advocacy Project is to protect victims and to foster closer collaboration between River House and the legal and law enforcement agencies.

The second new program, Sexual Assault Prevention Project, will allow for the hiring of a full-time sexual assault counselor to address these issues in the four-county area and will include a 24-hour rape crisis-response team.

"This is a very exciting time for us," said River House Director Ferne Farber, "but these wonderful opportunities are somewhat overshadowed by the loss of a \$30,000 Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) from Michigan State Housing Development and Authority."

The ESG grant covers a portion of salaries, rent or security deposits for families and shelter operating costs. "We are still awaiting final word on how this will finally play out," Farber said.

Another exciting prospect for 1997 is locating new space for the shelter and its offices.

"With additional staff and programs, we are really cramped, especially the families. We need adequate living, play, and counseling space for the women and children, at least 4,500 square feet," said Farber.

Farber and the shelter's Advisory Board are exploring all options. "I know the community will help us, they always have."

In addition to these new programs, River House continues its extensive public education programs, youth outreach activities in schools and overall service enhancements.

"We have a great team at River House," said Farber, "and I know 1997 will be terrific."

Anyone in an abusive relationship — verbal, emotional or physical — can call River House, 24-hours a day, collect at 517-348-8972.

Persons interested in volunteering or those who have questions, please call 517-348-3169 during business hours.

## Church Directory



### The SNOWMAN

Maggie and June worked all morning making their snowman. He got so big that they had to fetch a stool and stand on tiptoe to make his arms and to cinder-button him. The mailman helped put on his head. When they napped that afternoon, the sun shone hot and bright, and the south wind blew. When they woke, their snowy pal had dwindled and his cinder face cried dirty streaks. Sadly, they turned away. Sometimes life is like that snowman — grand and glittering with all the material things we have. Then the hot winds of disaster blow, their importance vanishes, and all we are left with is emptiness. What makes life meaningful? If possessions can't make us happy, what can? God has the answer. Through worship and prayer He teaches us to find the joys of spirit. Visit His house this week.

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**Christian Science Society**  
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Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.  
April through October  
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**Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church**  
Pastor J. Douglas Paterson  
400 Michigan Ave.  
348-2974  
Sunday Worship 8:30 & 11 a.m.  
Sunday School 9:45-10:45 a.m.  
Coffee Fellowship 12 noon  
Bible Study (Wed.) 10 a.m.

**Seventh Day Adventist**  
Pastor David Stramel  
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Services held Saturday at Camp AuSable off M-72 East (1st building on right inside camp entrance).  
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Wednesday - Family Night  
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Priesthood 12 noon  
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**Heritage Baptist**  
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411  
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Morning Worship 11 a.m.  
Evening Worship 6 p.m.  
Wednesday 7 p.m.

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Pastor Terry Colby  
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Sunday Bible Study 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11 a.m.  
Evening Worship 6 p.m.  
Wednesday Services 7 p.m.

**Harvest Time Church of God**  
Pastor Fred Coates  
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Worship Service 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.  
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**Calvary Baptist Church**  
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Worship Service 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship 6 p.m.  
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**Church of Christ**  
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**Bear Lake Christian**  
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Sunday Worship 7 p.m.  
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Sunday School 10 a.m.  
Chapel Service 11 a.m.  
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7-8 p.m.

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Morning Praise 10:30 a.m.  
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## Local Promise Keepers group being set up

The Promise Keepers national organization was founded in 1990 with the initial goal of filling up Colorado University's Folsom Field with 50,000 men gathered to honor Jesus Christ and to learn more about becoming godly men.

The national group reached that goal in 1993. Now, a local branch of the Promise Keepers is attempting to formalize their operations in the Grayling/Crawford County area.

The national group was founded by Colorado University's former head football coach Bill McCartney. The purpose of the Promise Keepers is to be committed and keep seven promises.

The promises which each branch of the Promise Keepers is formed on are:

1. Honor Jesus Christ through prayer, worship, and obedience to his word in the power of the Holy Spirit;
2. Pursue vital relationships with a few other men, understanding that I need brothers to help me keep my promises;
3. Practice spiritual, moral, ethical, and sexual purity;
4. Build strong marriages and families through love, protection, and biblical values;
5. Support the mission of my church, by honoring and praying for my pastor

and by actively giving my time and resources;

6. Reach beyond any racial and denominational barriers to demonstrate the power of biblical unity;

7. Influence my world, being obedient to the Great Commandment and the Great Commission.

A core group of local members is attempting to gather the whole group to formulate the running of the local organization within the parameters of the national group.

According to Neal Michal, one of the members helping to organize the group, the area Promise Keepers will hold an organizational meeting on Saturday, Feb. 22 at 8:30 a.m. The time and location of the event have yet to be determined.

Local Promise Keepers have had meetings and breakfast gatherings in the past, but now the members want to formally set up the group.

Michal said one of the things that is great about the Promise Keepers is the non-denominational aspect.

There is a good cross reference of members in the Crawford County group, Michal said. There are members from most area churches.

Persons interested in the Promise Keepers can call Neal Michal at (517) 348-6592.

## County blood drive was a success

The Crawford County Red Cross Blood Drive held Jan. 6 was very successful, with 115 donors and five first-time donors.

During the recent drive, it was called to the officials' attention that Bob Bovee had donated 12 gallons of blood. If any person has donated five or more gallons and not received their pin, please call it to the attention of the Red Cross at the next blood drive on March 5.

First-time donors from the Nov. 6 blood drive at Grayling High School were: Terry Akers, Mac Ashworth, Elizabeth Anderson, Thomas Brooks, Dana Beckwith, Kate Brunskill, Jerry Balmes, Ann Becks, Edward Baynham, Arica Burkette, John Chait, Vickie Carter, Susan Dedafoe, Amber Danner, Adam Galvani, Jodie Gay, Dennis Gugin, Armands Graube, Benjamin Haskell, Travis Hopp, Onna Ingvarsson, Robert Ignash, Simon Jaehnichen, Travis Johnson, Jennifer Jurkovich, Greer Kroell, Derrick Liberty, Samuel Modica, Julia McCanallen, Paul Niederer, Jeremy Nelson, Morgan Nielson, Erin Patrick,

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## RANGE FIRING

Range firing will be conducted at Camp Grayling during the period Jan. 16 through Jan. 22.

The Small Arms ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Road, east of the gas pipeline, and south of Portage Creek. Firing will begin on Jan. 17 and cease on Jan. 19.

Range 20 and 21, Demolition Ranges located south of Howe Road, west of the Crawford County Line, north of Daniels Road and east of the gas pipeline. Firing will begin on Jan. 16 and cease on Jan. 17.

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Road 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Road 618, and west of County Road 697 (Twin Bridge Rd). Firing will begin on Jan. 16 through Jan. 17, and also Jan. 21 through Jan. 22.

For further information, call (517) 348-3708 or 1-800-628-5820.

## Bondar earns second Centurion pin

Debbie Bondar of Century 21 River Country Real Estate has earned her second Centurion award for 1996.

A Centurion agent designation is the highest achievement recognition for sales success available to agents within the Century 21 system.

Of the many thousands of Century 21 agents from over 5,000 real estate offices throughout the United States, a very small percentage receive the Centurion designation.

Bondar will receive her Centurion award in March at the Century 21 convention held in New Orleans.

Bondar has also earned the Century 21 agent Quality Service Award and served on training discussion panels at Century 21 workshops throughout the United States.

She has been a part of "Top Sales Producer" retreats in Toronto, Montreal, Indianapolis and Nashville and has participated as one of the featured Top Producers in Century 21 training videos.

Bondar is currently serving her second term as president of the Century 21 Northern Michigan Brokers Council which is composed of 40 Century 21 offices.

She is also the secretary of the Century 21 Regional Brokers Council which is composed of over 150 Century 21 real estate offices.

On the local level, Bondar has served on the Rotary Board of Directors for three years and was the first female president of the Grayling Rotary Club.

She is the co-owner of the Century 21 River Country Real Estate office at Higgins Lake. She has also maintained, for the past five years, the

position of "Top Sales Agent" at the Grayling Century 21 River Country Real Estate office and has obtained her Michigan Real Estate Brokers license. Bondar has two children, Lexi, 11, and Jacob, 8.



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## Singers attempt to form Sweet Adelines group

by Eric Gaertner  
News Editor

Could the Grayling-Gaylord area be the home of the newest Sweet Adelines group? Some talented women from the area who enjoy to sing hope so.

The mission of the Sweet Adelines organization is to advance the musical art form of barbershop harmony through education and performance. Chapters of Sweet Adelines sing barbershop music to teach and for fun.

A group of 25 women from the Grayling and Gaylord areas have formed a barbershop harmony group. The group is hoping to increase its membership to 50 women and get recognized as a Sweet Adelines group.

"We started out with a core group of 20 ladies," said Hank Hedges, temporary director of the group. "At this point we are a chorus singing four-part harmony."

The chorus currently sings every Tuesday night from 7 to 9 p.m. at the

Otsego Township Hall in Waters. The group invites any other women who enjoy singing to come and join them. Those interested in joining the singers can call Barb Brooks at 348-1132.

There is no experience necessary for women to join the barbershop chorus. A potential group singer does not even have to be able to read music. Members of the group will help

teach the individual to read music, so just a love of singing is required, Hedges said. Of course, a choir background would be a great asset to the group.

In addition to looking for 15-25 new singers, the group also is searching for a director. Hedges said he is only directing the group on a temporary basis, so they are looking for a woman with a background in this type of barbershop chorus to be the new director.

The area group has adopted the Sweet Adelines mission statement as their own, and hope to become a permanent member down the road.

The mission statement reads, "Sweet Adelines International is a worldwide organization of women singers committed to advancing the musical art form of barbershop harmony through education and performance."

Sweet Adelines International, a non-profit music education association for women, founded in 1945, endows its more than 28,000 members with mastery of four-part harmony, barbershop style. Sweet Adelines promotes harmony, friendship, self-esteem and the sense of belonging among women of all ages, races, ethnic backgrounds and level of performance readiness.

The numerous Sweet Adelines chapters throughout the world are very well organized and work to educate children and the public of the joy of music. According to Hedges, Sweet Adelines chapters also are recognized by national music associations.

The different chapters help out with education by assisting schools in raising funds for music programs. The funds provide music, scholarships and other items to music classes and students.

The area group also will hold shows of their barbershop music. The Grayling-Gaylord area chorus will have an annual show.

The group will play for almost any non-profit organization, including hospitals and senior citizen homes.

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# HOMETOWN NEWS

## Rick Dillenbeck

Army National Guard Chief Warrant Officer Rick E. Dillenbeck has returned from a deployment exercise termed "Operation Joint Endeavor" in Bosnia-Herzegovina, a republic of the former Yugoslavia.

The returning troops are part of the 20,000 U.S. military contingency which comprise the 60,000 NATO-led peacekeeping force as a result from the signing of the Balkan Peace Accords in December 1995 at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio.

The U.S. forces give the warring parties a reasonable opportunity to consolidate peace within a finite period and help enforce the withdrawal of ethnic forces to their respective territories. The NATO troops are in place to enforce an end to hostilities, to provide a secure environment for civil peace operations, and to man a zone-separation between the formerly warring ethnic factions in Bosnia.

Dillenbeck is an UH-60 Blackhawk pilot at Fliegerhorst Airfield Kaserne, Hanau, Germany.

He is the stepson of David Hanson and son of Sherry M. Hanson, both of Grayling.



**EXCITING TRIP** — On Nov. 10, the Grayling Home Base Head Start made a field trip to the Crawford County Sheriff's Department. The children were excited to tour the 911 station, the Marine garage, and they met McGruff the Crime Dog. A photo identification card was made for each child and they received a bag with stickers, things to color and a book.

## Grants available for area non-profit organizations

Any organization that is planning an artistic or cultural event may be eligible for funding under the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs Mini-Grant Program.

The Cheboygan Area Arts Council is responsible for awarding mini-grants of up to \$2,000 on a matching basis to any non-profit organization within the following counties: Alcona, Alpena, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Crawford, Emmet, Montmorency, Oscoda, Otsego and Presque Isle.

The third and final round for fiscal year 1997 has its deadlines set. The deadline for applications is Feb. 14. This is for projects taking place during the period from June 1 to Sept. 30.

Grant applications and assistance may be obtained by contacting the Cheboygan Area Arts Council, P.O.

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Robert Partlow and Amanda Arnold, announce the arrival of Alexia Louise Partlow, born Dec. 31, 1996.

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The fishing seems to be started on Higgins Lake now with some catches of perch and a few trout. No word on the smelt yet. But we will be hearing about this soon!!

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## CRAWFORD COUNTY LIBRARY NEWS

by Tracie Compton

Genealogy Program will be Monday, Jan. 27, at 1:30 p.m. at the Crawford County Library.

Presenters are Bob and Fay Bovee, Judy Hammond, Verna Hallett and Pam Kiefer. These experienced researchers will discuss successes, sources, defeats, Family Tree Maker, local information and searching on the Internet. Questions about a person's family-tree research are welcome.

A list of books available at the library and other genealogy sources will be available at the program.

The Crawford County Library is open from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday; Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Crawford County Library's phone number is 348-9214.



**PERFORMING GROUP** — This ensemble of men and women will entertain area residents on Jan. 25. The 20-member group is performing as part of the Crawford AuSable Community Education Command Performance Series.

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This lively group of performers will showcase a variety of popular music that will be familiar to area audiences. The repertoire will include small groups, solos, and duets featuring medleys from Motown, Last Night of the World (from Miss Saigon), a Motown revue, as well as a variety of songs from the works of Cole Porter, George Gershwin and Richard Rogers.

Family entertainment in a "something for everyone" performance best describes the highly choreographed show choir ensemble known throughout the state as the Macombers, the Goodwill Ambassadors for Macomb Community College.

Founded in 1970, the Macombers have grown in emphasis and stature. They are Michigan's oldest college show choir and although constantly changing their musical selections and personnel, continue to receive "rave" reviews.

The Macombers have performed for a variety of audiences including such distinguished guests as Lili Tomlin, former Governor James Blanchard, as well as former presidents George Bush and Ronald Reagan.

The evening begins when the doors

open at 6 p.m. to the Evergreen Room for unreserved seating. A cash bar will be available with dinner being served at 6:30 p.m.

Tickets for the event may be purchased by calling 348-7641 ext. 123.

The Cultural Events Series is a partnership of area business and corporations and the Crawford AuSable Community Education Program to promote the quality of life in the area and bring cultural experiences to area residents at affordable prices. This performance is also made possible with the support of the Michigan Council for the Arts & Cultural Affairs — Cheboygan Area Regranting Agency.

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### Michael Handricks

Michael Handricks, 78, of Albion, died Saturday, Jan. 4, 1997, in Trillium Hospital, Albion, of cancer.

He was born in Albion on Feb. 15, 1918, to Harry and Mary (Skirish) Handricks. He served in the U.S. Air Force during WWII and remained in the service after the war and retired with 21 years of service.

Mr. Handricks then went to work for the Michigan prison system and, upon being assigned to Camp Leyman at Hartwick Pines, moved to Grayling. Here he met and married Alice Gunsolus and they settled in Maple Forest. In 1969 he was transferred to Jackson Prison as a corrections officer and moved to Albion where he resided until his death.

Surviving are his wife; one daughter, Helen "Cookie" Porogi of Okeechobee, Florida; and three sons, Terry of Albion, Harry of Salt Lake City, and Michael of Fairbanks, Alaska; and two sisters, Nadia Weaver of Albion and Jennie Haines of Mesa, Arizona; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by brothers John and Harry; a sister, Helen; and two grandchildren.

Mr. Handricks was a member of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Disabled American Veterans, R.A.T.S. of Battle Creek, and Holy Ascension of Christ Russian Orthodox Church of Albion.

He was also a member of the Board of Directors of the Fort Custer National

Cemetery. He enjoyed gardening, fishing and hunting.

Funeral services were at the Holy Ascension of Christ Russian Orthodox Church in Albion with Rev. Stephen Kwiecinski officiating. Burial was in Fort Custer National Cemetery.

Memorials to the Fort Custer National Cemetery may be sent in care of his wife, Alice Handricks, 104 Broadwell, Albion, MI 49224-1124.

### Henrietta Bear

Henrietta Oleson Bear died suddenly Jan. 10, 1997 at her home in Gainesville, Florida.

She and her husband Fred Bear, moved to Grayling in 1948 and lived there until 1978 when the factory was moved south. She was an active member in the town and one of the founders of St. Francis Episcopal Church of Grayling. Grayling and its people provided many happy memories through these last 19 years.

She is survived by a son, Col. M. J. Steger USAF Ret., of Lompoc, California; a daughter, Julia Kroll of Gainesville; six grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent in her name to St. Francis Church.

### Card of thanks

We would like to take time out to thank our family and friends for all your kind words and cards sent to us in our time of sorrow. You can never know how much it meant.

A special thank you to Terri and Marilyn Papendick, for being here right away, and not needing to be called.

A big thank you to each and every one of you for jumping in and helping with our kids. You all know who you are, we don't know what we would have done without you.

Thank you to Terri, Jackie, Pam and Grandma for the food you sent. You will never know what it meant to me.

Thank you to Terri, Marilyn, Angie, Jackie, Pam for helping with the dinner. We cannot thank you enough for the help. God Bless your kind hearts.

Thank you to everyone we may of forgot, we love you all deeply.

We were told enough throughout all of this, "That is what family is for, we don't need a thank you." But thank you will never be enough.

Thank you to Grandma Galloway for allowing us to use your car to go downstate.

May God Bless You All.

And our Deepest Thanks.

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### Alison David

Alison M. David, 93, of Grayling died Friday, Jan. 10, 1997, at Mercy Manor Nursing Home in Grayling.

She was born in Edinburg, Scotland, on March 29, 1903, to John M. and Frances B. (Black) Luke.

Mrs. David previously resided in Nokomis, Florida. She is was a retired General Motors employee and had spent her summers in Grayling since 1979.

She was a member of St. John Lutheran Church in Grayling.

Mrs. David was preceded in death by her parents; her first and second husbands, William H. Gurney in 1966 and Lee David in 1974; one daughter, Dorothy Newman in 1978; 2 sisters and one brother.

Surviving are two daughters, Barbara and Gerald Woodworth of Grayling and Irene and Eric Rayner of Naples, Florida; 10 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

A Memorial Service was held at St. John Lutheran Church in Grayling on Tuesday, Jan. 14, at 11:00 a.m. Pastor Sherry McCuffin officiated. Burial of ashes will be in White Chapel Cemetery in Troy, in the Spring of 1997.

Memorials may be made to St. John Lutheran Church, Grayling — Mortgage Fund.

Arrangements were made by Sorenson Funeral Home, Inc., McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

### Stewart Holland

Stewart Holland, Jr., 68, of Grayling died at Mercy Hospital in Grayling on Jan. 14, 1997.

Mr. Holland was born in Belding on April 7, 1928 to Stewart, Sr. and Gladys (Defeyer) Holland.

He resided in Grayling for 34 years, and previously lived in Lansing.

Mr. Holland was owner-operator of River Park Campground, owned Holland Ice Co. of Frederic, and also was with Kade Realty.

He was a former member of American Legion and Loyal Order of Moose, raced in many Canoe Marathons, and was a Korean War veteran where he served with the Airborne.

He was preceded in death by both parents and a brother, Chester Holland.

Surviving are his wife Rose (Huntley) Holland; two daughters, Joan Hulsey of Jacksonville, Florida, and Karen Holland of Stuart, Florida; two sons, Ralph Holland of Port St. Lucie, Florida, and Rex Holland of Orange City, Florida; one stepson, Robert Mitchell of Roscommon; one stepdaughter, Michelle Steffke of Mount Pleasant; one sister, Eva Culver of Flat Rock; 12 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 16, at Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel in Grayling. Military rites will be conducted by representatives of the American Legion and Michigan National Guard. Reverend J. Douglas Paterson will officiate. Burial will be at Elmwood Cemetery in the Spring.

The family suggests memorials to the American Lung Association.

## SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

By Jan Farley

Special thought for the week: The sweetest music on a blustery, cold morning is that of your car starting.

**Happenings in January:** COA Board Meeting on Jan. 15 at 5:30 p.m.; Legal Help on Jan. 17 at 1:30 p.m.; Sunday Potluck on Jan. 19 at 4 p.m. The dance with Tina, Jan. 21, has been cancelled. Blood pressures and sugars taken on Jan. 23 from 11 a.m. to noon.

"Pantry Bingo" will be on every Thursday at 1 p.m. There will be a donation requested/not required of \$1 per card, with a limit of six cards per person and, as the name suggests, the prizes will be pantry items with a grand jackpot prize. Come and have fun playing bingo with your friends and neighbors.

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- 17—Swiss Steak/no dinner
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# NOTES NORTHERN

Section B Crawford County Avalanche

Thursday, January 16, 1997

## Lake Margrethe scores high in recent environmental study

by Shirley D. Schmoock  
Special Writer

Focus upon the environment, especially as it relates to what has become known as "Quality of Life", has been increasing for four decades. The intensity with which industry and the private sector are capturing headlines as they launch their various headlines goes beyond number.

When Rachel Carson's *Silent Spring* piqued both imagination and denial in the American public in 1962, pesticide companies then were producing record quantities of 15 major chemical pesticides — 750,000,000 pounds — a material increase over all previous years' production. More than 150,000,000 pounds of herbicides and many other millions of pounds of rodenticide were also being produced and used. Most chemical solvents used in the manufacture of pesticide formulas are poisonous.

It was due to the continuing life of these and other chemical agents that a recent attempt was made to environmentally assess Crawford County's Lake Margrethe by photographing the lake with infrared film. This joint experimental partnership was comprised of the U.S. Coast Guard, SMS James Tenney, base audio-visual manager at Selfridge Field, John D'Amour, Crawford County District Health Department registered sanitarian, and Peter Bentz, environmental specialist for the Wayne County Department of Environment Watershed Management. It produced some very interesting results.

The experiment was the brain child of Bentz. The former Rasmus Hanson Award winner is not only a specialist in water pollution problems, but is life-long advocate of clean air and water. Bentz has been involved in ecology since youth.

He set up and conducted a similar test on Black River and Lake St. Clair, but the effort did not produce the significant data that the Lake Margrethe project produced.

"We couldn't fly beneath the ceiling in Macomb County because of the population centers," he explained. "We were also shooting through the plastic film of the aircraft, and the photos were either useless or badly distorted

because of these limitations."

The 2,000-foot ceiling established for military aircraft over Lake Margrethe is similar, but the Coast Guard helicopter carrying Tenney from Selfridge Air Force Base was able to drop well below this level and managed to photograph the lake's surface with infrared film.

The photographic experiment commenced in September of 1996 over the lake. Residents were alerted to presence of the low-flying craft, and D'Amour explained the challenging project to residents and members of the Lake Margrethe Property Owners Association, both before and after the operation. The object was to photograph the entire surface of lake Margrethe from every possible direction without unduly alarming the residents.

**"With the seasonal changes and the water temperature and levels rising, all organisms -- both bacterial and plants -- flourish."**

**-- John D'Amour,  
District Health Dept.  
registered sanitarian**

Lake Margrethe had been chosen in 1985 by the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments (NEMCOG) for an extensive septic leachate detector and water quality survey. Due to the high and continued interest of its residential community in the condition of the lake, it was a natural choice for NEMCOG. Because most of Michigan's inland lakes were formed approximately 10,000-12,000 years ago by glacial cover and retreat, their respective water basins have been filled with local nutrients and sedimentation incidental to the area. Each lake has its own ecological character and personality.

When the U.S. Coast Guard

helicopter skimmed Lake Margrethe in the summer, the photographer used quite ordinary camera equipment loaded with infrared film. The purpose was to determine not only the condition and existing parameters of the shoreline, but to note variances in water depth and to isolate possible sites of contamination.

Comparing current photos with the earlier notations of the NEMCOG study was expected to show deterioration, improvement or maintenance of the status quo in the waters of the lake. No recent studies are extant as to how this process might be used for future work, but the new technique was expected to show the presence of abnormal nutrient growth, water temperature variables, and other possible sources of water taint or pollution.

Wading into the vast body of information required to understand the basic principles of infrared photography is hardly necessary in order to anticipate the possible benefits of using such a method to examine an inland lake or stream. Infrared photography with black-and-white or "false-color" film produces a variety of revealing and intriguing pictures.

False color is a term meaning color derived by using orange or red filters to suppress the major source of light from the color spectrum. The process is often used to distinguish diseased trees — green from brown — in large tracts of forest, Bentz said.

A conclusive or comprehensive study of the photographs taken at Lake Margrethe is far from complete, of course, but D'Amour said that "we believe that Lake Margrethe is in pristine condition. Pollution of the water, according to the ongoing and most recent testing, is insignificant. And though there are several areas which demand further examination, especially some unexplained plumes shown on some of the photos, I would pronounce it quite healthy."

During the past two decades, pollution of water resources everywhere have been addressed and continue to be met head-on by numerous agencies, departments, environmental task forces and private groups. Having such an active,



**LAKE MARGRETHE** -- This is the Eagle Point area of the Crawford County lake. Lake Margrethe was said to be in pristine condition, following the study conducted by state and local officials. The photos taken with infrared film will be used to update the condition of the lake.

interested team currently involved with testing at Lake Margrethe should garner benefits for all local residents. And, with the aid of infrared photography, it is hoped that the job of policing these resources will be made easier.

So amazing is this method, that even a few inches of clean, clear water photographs very dark on infrared film. Muddy water in other hydrological surveys shows up in lighter tones, while brownish, silty water turns the area green. The photographs taken by the team last summer may eventually determine areas of floating plants, septic tank failure or stress, and will possibly indicate drainage patterns and areas with an overgrown shoreline.

The Lake Margrethe Property Owners Association (LMPOA) has been tracking fecal coliform bacteria in the lake for years. Larry Frymire, a director and member of this watchdog group of more than 250 resident families, said, "Of the 10 samples I took in October of 1966, only one in North Bay was marginal at 10 colonies per 100 milliliters. The Health Department closes beaches when the bacterial level reaches 200 colonies per 100 milliliters. All of our other samples were less than 10."

Frymire also tests for water clarity. A record 26-feet was reached late this summer by a unique method Frymire and others use to measure clarity. It is with a device called a Secchi Disk. This disk is let down on a measured cord, and when the naked eye can no longer sight the disk, the measurement is taken and recorded.

Yet another test recently conducted by the DNR at LMPOA's request was to examine the mercury levels in the lake's fish. D'Amour said that "atmospheric settling accounts for elevated mercury levels, but much of what we find in Michigan's inland lakes is from airborne sources, not local." Ten walleye pike were used in the test.

Bob Day, Great Lakes Environmental Assessment Section of the DNR said, however, "two-thirds of all lakes monitored in Michigan have fish with mercury concentrations exceeding .5 mg/kg. The Michigan Department of Community Health has issued a statewide advisory against eating more than one meal per week of several different predatory fish — including walleye."

The highest level found in the Lake Margrethe test fish was 1.050 and lowest was .260. All sample fish were walleye and Bentz said that the larger fish like pike tend to store mercury in their systems.

"They accumulate the mercury by breathing it in through their gills, by eating smaller fish which have ingested it themselves, and by eating plant life which also contains trace amounts,"

Bentz said. "Mercury is poisonous and the body — man or fish — has no effective way to get rid of it."

Common to all residences around the lake are septic tanks and drain fields, as this is the only available system used for sewage filtration at Lake Margrethe.

Prior to the infrared photographic experiment, D'Amour met with local residents and passed out fluorescent dye packs. The dye, he explained, was to be put into the toilet tank and would eventually flush through the septic system. If a large concentration of dye reached the lake, the dye would be easily detected in the water and would indicate that the septic system is failing or has failed.

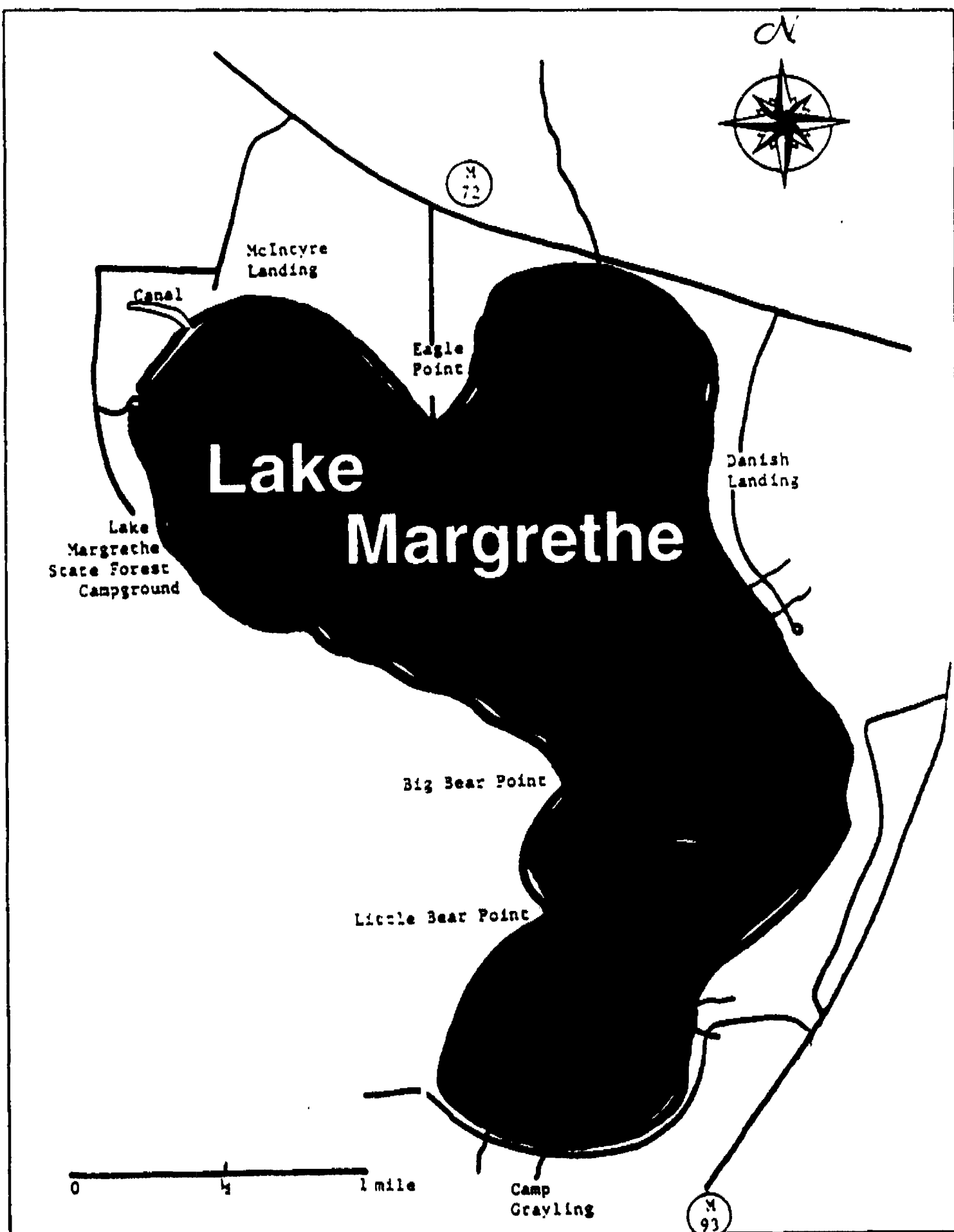
"Nutrients are not filtered through the soil like bacteria," D'Amour said, "and many older septic systems contain elevated nutrient counts. With the seasonal changes and the water temperature and levels rising, all organisms — both bacterial and plants

-- flourish."

There are a wide variety of ways to maintain high water quality in lakes and streams, but the most important may be for the residents living there to read labels. Many of the major toxic substances are found in nearly every home. They are extremely dangerous when misused or abused and can easily threaten the waterways. Oven cleaners, drain cleaners, paint thinner and solvents, pesticides and bleach are but a few of these commonly-used hazards.

Future monitoring of Lake Margrethe will continue and Bentz expects to expand upon the infrared study already begun.

"It will take time to read the photographs. So few studies like this exist, that it is particularly interesting as to what we might find," Bentz said. "Up to now, chemical testing and dye packets were the main ways to test the waters. If we can add infrared photography to our testing methods, who knows what we'll find."



**SHOOTING FROM ABOVE** -- James Tenney takes the photos with infrared film for the Lake Margrethe study.



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# CRAWFORD COUNTY SPORTS

## Vikings fly out of the opening gate

by Craig Hofman  
Sports Writer

The Grayling High School ski team swooshed into its season on Tuesday, Jan. 7 at the Boyne Highland Invitational. The invitational is one of Michigan's toughest meets and features state powers like Traverse City, Petoskey and Harbor Springs.

The Viking girls' team was led by Katie Olson who placed 28th in the slalom and 30th in the giant slalom out of a total of 55 competitors.

Kim Hartman placed 31st in the slalom and 36th in the giant slalom. Jenni Jurkovich ended up 29th in the slalom and 45th in the giant slalom.

Amanda Febey finished up 34th in the slalom and 43rd in the giant slalom. Brooke Ginter finished 36th in the slalom and 47th in the giant slalom. Kristen Kearney rounded out the ladies' scoring with a 37 in the giant slalom, but unfortunately she was disqualified in the slalom.

The Viking boys' team was led by senior Travis Hopp who placed 15th in both the slalom and the giant slalom.

Jason Steele was second overall for the Viking team. He came in 24th in the slalom, but was unfortunately disqualified in the giant slalom for losing a ski. Eric Thompson placed

33rd in the slalom and 48th in the giant slalom. Freshmen Jason Boreo in his first meet was 43rd in the slalom and 40th in the giant slalom. Colin Hunter placed 42nd and 41st and Clark Wilcox placed 40th and 46th.

The Boyne Highlands Invitational was won by both Traverse City teams followed by the two Petoskey teams.

On Thursday, Jan. 9 the Vikings traveled to Schuss Mountain and took on Bellaire and Charlevoix in a tri-meet.

The Vikings came away with first place for both the girls and boys teams.

The Viking girls had 47 points, followed by Charlevoix with 48 and Bellaire with 77.

The Viking boys total was 50, followed by Bellaire with 54 and Charlevoix with 56.

"It was a great meet with most of the racers figuring in the results. All six of our girls placed in front of Charlevoix's fourth-placed girl in the final race to give them the victory," said head ski coach Mike Wieland.

The top skier for the girls was Kim Hartman placing first in the slalom and fifth in the giant slalom. Katie Olson placed eighth in the slalom and sixth in the giant slalom.

Jenni Jurkovich finished fourth in

the giant slalom, but was disqualified in the slalom. Amanda Febey placed fifth in the slalom and 11th in the giant slalom. Brooke Ginter was 10th in

both the slalom and giant slalom. Kristen Kearney was disqualified in the slalom and finished eighth in the giant slalom.

The boys were once again led by Travis Hopp placing first in the slalom and second in the giant slalom.

Jason Steele placed fifth and fourth, respectively.

Colin Hunter was 16th in the slalom and eighth in the giant slalom. Eric Thompson finished 12th in events. Clark Wilcox was 11th in slalom and 14th in the giant slalom.

The Vikings skied at Boyne Mountain on Tuesday against Boyne City and travel to Crystal Mountain on Friday, Jan. 17 to take on Manistee and others starting at 3 p.m.

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**Skiing**

**Katie Olson**

Viking sophomore Katie Olson was chosen Viking of the Week for leading the girls' team and consistently placing well in all of last week's meets.

**Holiday Inn**

**Vikings of the week**



**Skiing**

**Travis Hopp**

Viking senior Travis Hopp was chosen Viking of the Week for leading the boys' team in all four races last week. He finished 1st in the slalom and 2nd in the giant slalom at Schuss Mt.

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## Miss BB coming here

One of the most highly sought after girls' basketball players in the Midwest will be making a visit to Grayling early next week.

Deana Nolan, who won Michigan's top award by being named Miss Basketball in Michigan for 1996, will be appearing at two events on Monday, Jan. 20.

Nolan, a senior from Flint Northern High School, will be the guest speaker at Monday's Kiwanis Club meeting.

The top Michigan girls' basketball player also will be a guest at the AuSable Valley Girls AAU basketball practice on Sunday, Jan. 19. Anyone interested in meeting Nolan and listening to her speak can attend the AAU practice which begins at 4 p.m. The practice will be held at the Grayling Middle School.

Both of the appearances -- the Kiwanis Club and the AAU practice

-- are based on the weather permitting the travel and visit.

The Miss Basketball award is voted on by the Basketball Coaches Association of Michigan and is given to the best high school girls' basketball player in the State of Michigan. Nolan also is one of the top 50 players in the United States.

The Flint Northern star player is being recruited by many high profile Division I programs throughout the country. These universities include Michigan State University, University of Michigan, University of Iowa, University of Memphis and University of Georgia.

In addition to Deana Nolan visiting, her mother, Virginia, and the Flint Northern Varsity Head Coach Leteia Hughley will be making the trip north. Hughley is one of the top coaches in the state. Hughley had the longest winning streak in the state at 71 straight victories at Flint Northern.



**OPEN MAN SEARCH** -- Ryan Swope (43) looks for an open man in seventh-grade action. The young basketball player is being guarded by a taller player, but he still works for the pass.

## Seventh graders go .500

by Craig Hoffman  
Sports Writer

The Grayling Middle School seventh grade boys' basketball team took on Roscommon on Wednesday, Jan. 8 and came away with a victory, 21-19, in a very exciting second half comeback by the Vikings.

The Vikings trailed 19-11 at the end of the third quarter, but would play great defense to keep Roscommon from scoring the rest of the game.

With seven seconds left in the game, the two teams were tied at 19 and Roscommon had the ball. The Viking defense forced a bad pass and Nick D'Amour retrieved the ball and hit the game-winning shot with time running out.

"It was a very exciting game and the team played well, but missed a lot of easy shots," said head coach Doug Pummell.

The leading scorers were Nick D'Amour with nine points. Ricky Riggs finished with eight.

Pummell also acknowledged Mike Hale and Craig Enlow for their good defensive effort.

The Vikings were not as fortunate when they played Gaylord on Thursday, Jan. 9. Gaylord was able to control the game and defeated the Vikings, 40-22.

"We played hard, but they had some good post-up players that hurt us," said Pummell.

Leading scorer was Nick D'Amour

with six points and Brandon Gorr followed with four.

Chet Wheeler had a good all-around game.

The Vikings played Kalkaska on Wednesday, Jan. 15.

## Michigan Cup to feature skiers during weekend

The Michigan Cup Marathon weekend is fast approaching. The weekend of Jan. 18 and 19 will bring about 150 of the best cross country skiers from all over the United States and Canada.

The Michigan Cup Marathon on Jan. 18, is a 30-kilometer marathon and 10-kilometer race for juniors. The starting time is 10 a.m. with 10-minute waves for juniors, women and men.

On Sunday, Jan. 19, the Hanson Hills Classic five-kilometer race for juniors begins at 10 a.m. with 30-second intervals. The seniors 12-kilometer race with have interval starts 10 minutes after the juniors.

The age groups for men and women in the 30-kilometer marathon and 12-kilometer Classical are as follows: 14-17, 18-25, 26-30, 31-35, 36-40, 41-45, 46-50, 51-55, 56-60, 61 and over.

The age groups for the 10-kilometer juniors race are as follows: 13 and under, 14-16, 17-19 and 19 and over.



**DIGGING THE BALL** -- Amy Godlewski dives for the dig in recent volleyball action. On this play, Godlewski showed the type of play which has made the Vikings a tough team to beat.

## Grayling spikers collide with tough teams

by Eric Gaertner  
News Editor

The Grayling Viking volleyball players prepared for huge conference battle by faring pretty well in a tough, weekend tournament at Gaylord.

The Saturday, Jan. 11, tournament featured such perennial powerhouses as Traverse City and Rogers City. Grayling was hoping to continue its improvement by playing the Hurons tough in Rogers City on Wednesday, Jan. 15.

The Vikings finished third in their pool, which featured Traverse City and Oscoda as strong competition. Rogers City, which competed in the other pool, won the Gaylord Tournament.

The Grayling spikers got off to a very good start at the tournament by defeating Sault Ste. Marie, 16-14 and 15-11. The win was against a Class A school.

"Winning against a Class A school was nice," Coach Rebecca Brown said. "It also was good to see our team get off to a quick start, since we have been a traditional slow-starting team."

The close match also was exciting for the fans. According to Brown, the points in the match were long, because both teams made good shots and saves.

The Vikings got its second win of the tournament, defeating Cheboygan, 15-9 and 15-11.

The win streak came to an end against Oscoda, but Brown said the team did play a good match. The final score was 9-15 and 9-15.

The Vikings lost its second match in a row, falling to the Trojans of Traverse City, 5-15 and 7-15.

According to Brown, this was the one match during the tournament where her team did not play very well. Traverse City finished third at the tournament and Oscoda was second.

Nicole Craigie had a good tournament for the Vikings. She led the team in spikes with 30 and blocks with 19, and passed the ball finishing with 55. Craigie continues to be one of the best net players for Grayling.

Erin Smith also had a good day. According to Brown, she is a key player for the team and she is starting to hit her stride.

Smith was second in blocks with 14 and added 53 passes.

Jessica Waite continued her strong, all-around play. She has impressed her coach with her ability to play well

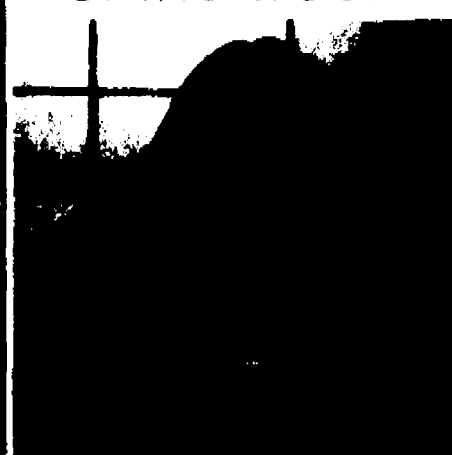
offensively, defensively and in the serving game.

Amy Godlewski and Kristie Cadeau set the ball for the big hitters. Godlewski led the squad with 99 sets and Cadeau added 90.

The Vikings were scheduled to take on the Hurons on Wednesday at Rogers City. This was a key game in the conference race.

"If we get excited and have the right mind set, then we can be competitive with any one," Brown said. "We will be looking to upset Rogers City."

## Holiday Inn Viking of the week



### Volleyball Jessica Waite

Viking senior Jessica Waite was chosen Viking of the Week because she hit the ball really well and played good defense during the Gaylord tournament on Saturday.

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Glen's Market	2-10
High Game: B. Wheeler, 208; L. Dellar, 203; S. Grant, 199.	
High Series: L. Dellar, 512; D. Lobsinger, 497; C. Czuba, 494.	

**Sunday Nite Mixed**

Mac's Drugs	12-4
C.S.I.	11-5
Pioneer Hills Marine	10-6
Us & Them	8-8
Robideau Construction	7-9
All Season's Drywall	7-9
Computer Services	5-11
D.A.M.M.	4-12
Men's High Game: R. Adkinson, 217; J. Hessel, 204; L. Wilde, 185.	
Men's High Series: J. Hessel, 592; R. Adkinson, 546; L. Wilde, 503.	
Women's High Game: S. Sumner, 211; K. Moshier, 204; M. Starks, 174.	
Women's High Series: S. Sumner, 493; M. Miller, 480; D. Ashworth, 441.	

**Northwood**

Hessel Brothers	11
House of Cabinets	10
R. Calkins & Sons	10
Millikin's	9
Rich's Cycle Service	8
Wakeley's Auto Parts	7
Glen's	5
R&M Masonry	4
High Game: S. France, 209; 197; S. Romain, 189; M. Miller, 184.	
High Series: S. France, 563; S. Romain, 520; M. Miller, 499.	

**National First League**

Moore's Auto Parts	11-1
Breakers Steak House	8-4
Carquest	7-5
City Environmental	7-5
Guns & Grub	6-6
Northern Whitetail Ranch	5-7
Forrest Bros	2-10
Corkys D.J. & Karoke	2-10
High Game: B. Palmer, 222; D. Ray, 213; M. Millikin, 209.	
High Series: D. Ray, 582; D. Canfield, 573; G. Wolfe, 557.	

**Pioneer League**

Deb & Dale's	11-1
Aunt Betty's	8-4
Custom Interior	6-6
Mercy Hospital	6-6
Millikin's	5-7
Lady Slippers	5-7
Avalanche	4-8
Chemical Bank	3-9
High Game: J. Hatfield, 202; J. Coors, 184; L. Munsey, 182.	
High Series: J. Hatfield, 523; J. Goudie, 506; C. Brannan, 497.	

## Wrestlers finish in top five in another tourney

The Grayling wrestlers continued to place in the top five in tournament action, but their string of having at least one tournament champion came to an end.

The Vikings traveled to Oscoda on Saturday, Jan. 11, and finished five out of 15 teams at the tournament. Ogemaw Heights won the tournament.

"It was a very long tournament, because there were very few pins," Coach Don Ferguson said. "It was a good-quality tournament, because of the state placers and state qualifiers who were there."

The grapplers from Grayling have continually fared well as a team and individually at this season's tournaments. This tournament was one of the toughest, because of the number of quality teams from down state.

The streak of having at least one weight-class champion ended at Saturday's tournament, but three of the Grayling wrestlers finished as the runner-up.

Josh Niederer (103-pounds) had a very good tournament in Oscoda. The Viking wrestler defeated some higher-seeded opponents to earn second place. Niederer defeated the fourth seed and the first seed to reach the final match in the 103-pound weight class.

Eddie Davis (125) and Ben Malonen (135) also finished in second place. Davis improved to 13-4 on the season and Malonen's mark now stands at 10-2.

Josh Taylor (145) brought home a third-place finish for his team. Dave Shepherd (130) and Jason Hall (140) finished in fifth place. Hall's record is at 19-1 after suffering his first loss of

the season. Other Vikings scoring team points at the tournament included Dana Beckwith (119), Joe Medeiros (152), Nate Niederer (171) and in the heavy-weight division, Jason Dasho.

Grayling will be taking on the Onaway Cardinals on Thursday, Jan. 16. The first match is scheduled to begin at 6 p.m. The Vikings will then travel to Ithaca on Saturday, Jan. 18, to take part in the very competitive Ithaca Tournament.

### Holiday Inn Viking of the week

#### Wrestling

#### Josh Niederer

Viking freshman Josh Niederer was chosen Viking of the Week for defeating a #4 seed & #1 seed to reach the finals in his weight class finishing as runner-up.

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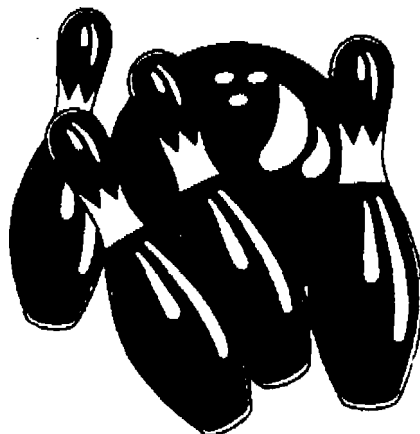
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## Freshman boys' scores posted

by Craig Hoffman  
Sports Writer

The Grayling High School freshmen boys' basketball team has posted an early 2-3 record.

The Vikings played Kalkaska in their first game on Monday, Dec. 9 and came up on the short end of a 78 to 68 score.

"The team worked hard and Kalkaska shot the ball well, even when we played good defense. It was our first game and we had to figure some things out," said head freshmen coach Doug Simons.

Adam Knapp, Brad Wilson and Brian McCurdy all had good games for Grayling, commented Simons.

The Vikings then traveled to Petoskey on Monday, Dec. 16 and fought hard, but lost to the Northmen, 63-53.

"This was a tough game for us,

because we played very good basketball and the game was close until the last two minutes," said Simons.

Dave Hawkins showed good leadership and Adam Knapp and Brian McCurdy also played well, commented Simons.

The Vikings then traveled to Gaylord for their third straight tough opponent and struggled. The Vikings were defeated by the Blue Devils 70-49.

The Vikings struggled shooting the ball and Gaylord played a running game which pushed the Vikings all night.

"We played good defense in the fourth quarter," said Simons.

The Vikings traveled to Houghton Lake on Monday, Jan. 6 and came away with a close victory over the Bobcats, 44-42.

"This was our best defensive game of the season. Our guys played very

hard on both ends of the floor. Dave Hawkins and Brad Wilson showed great leadership. Brian McCurdy and Joe Fritz had very good games. Joe came off the bench to spark us late in the game," said Simons.

The Vikings traveled to Lincoln Alcona on Wednesday, Jan. 8 and defeated the Tigers, 68-43.

"Another good offensive and defensive outing. This was a total team effort," said Simons.

Josh Brannon had a terrific game and showed a lot of leadership.

"Our bench really played well including Tim Ormsbee and Marc Weaver," the coach said.

The Vikings played Petoskey at home on Monday, Jan. 13 and also host Whittemore Prescott on Thursday, Jan. 16 at 7 p.m.

The Vikings will host Roscommon on Wednesday, Jan. 22 at 7 p.m.

## JV struggles against larger Bobcats

by Craig Hoffman  
Sports Writer

The Grayling High School junior varsity basketball team traveled to Houghton Lake on Tuesday, Jan. 7 to face a tough Bobcat team.

The Bobcats were able to utilize their size to control the boards and used their hot shooting in the beginning of the game to build a lead that the Vikings were not able to come back from. The Vikings were defeated 67-47.

The Vikings struggled in the first quarter. They were out-rebounded nine to four and were not allowed a single offensive rebound. Coupled with the fact that the Vikings were not shooting well, that helped lead the Bobcats to a 21-4 first-quarter score.

The Vikings continued to struggle

in the second quarter, but did play better on the offensive end. The Vikings still struggled on the boards and found themselves down 38-18 at the half.

The Vikings played better in the second half and had better rebounding on both the offensive and defensive ends of the floor. The offense moved the ball better and found the open shots.

The Vikings pulled to within 12 points in the fourth quarter, but could get no closer.

The Vikings were led in scoring by Jeremy Jones with 12 points. Eli Tobin added nine points and Travis Huber had seven. Jeremy Millikin scored eight points.

The Vikings game against Lincoln Alcona on Friday, Jan. 10 was

cancelled due to poor weather.

The Vikings traveled to Petoskey on Tuesday, Jan. 14 and then travel to Whittemore Prescott on Friday, Jan. 17.

The Vikings travel to Roscommon next Tuesday, Jan. 21, game time is at 6 p.m.

Varsity stats and highlights were not available at press time. All varsity games will start approximately at 7:15 p.m.

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DOWN THE LANE -- Justin Potter (22) drives to the basket in recent JV basketball action.



# Snowmobile operators should follow certain laws

Supplied by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources

A snowmobile is any motor vehicle designed primarily for travel on snow or ice utilizing sled-type runners or skis or an endless belt tread or similar means to contact the surface upon which it is operated.

## Registration Requirements

A snowmobile shall not be operated in Michigan unless the owner first obtains a certificate of registration and a registration decal.

A snowmobile owned by a non-resident, before operation in Michigan, must display a valid registration from their home state or province, or be registered in Michigan.

The secretary of state registers snowmobiles for a three-year period for a fee of \$15. The registration cycle begins on Oct. 1 and expires on Sept. 30 of the third year following registration.

Any time a registered snowmobile is sold to another person, the registration must also be transferred. The secretary of state must be contacted to transfer the registration of a snowmobile.

## Snowmobile Trail Permit

In addition to registration of a snowmobile in Michigan or from another state or province, a person who desires to operate a snowmobile in this state shall purchase a snowmobile trail permit sticker.

The snowmobile trail permit sticker shall be valid for a period of one year which begins Oct. 1 and ends Sept. 30 of the following year.

Snowmobile trail permits are available from snowmobile dealers and many retail businesses located adjacent to or near the Michigan snowmobile trail system. Permits are available from the secretary of state at the time of registration renewal.

Snowmobiles are exempt from registration and the trail permit sticker if:

- they are operated exclusively on lands owned or under the control of the owner

- used entirely in a safety education program conducted by a certified snowmobile safety instructor

- exclusively operated in a special event of limited duration which is conducted according to a prearranged schedule under a permit from the governmental unit having proper jurisdiction

## Display or Registration Decal

It is unlawful to operate a snowmobile without having a valid registration sticker permanently attached and visibly displayed on the forward half of the snowmobile.

## Display of Trail Permit Sticker

The trail permit sticker shall be permanently affixed to the forward half of the snowmobile.

## Minimal Equipment Required

- Brakes -- each snowmobile must have a braking system that is capable of

- (a) stopping the snowmobile in not more than 40 feet from an initial speed of 20 miles per hour while the snowmobile travels on packed snow and carries an operator who weighs 175 pounds or more, and

- (b) locking the snowmobile's traction belt or belts.

- Noise -- each snowmobile manufactured after July 1, 1977, shall be equipped with a muffler which does not exceed 78 decibels of sound pressure at 50 feet as measured by the 1974 SAE J-192a.

- Helmet -- all persons operating or riding on a snowmobile must wear a Department of Transportation approved crash helmet.

- Lighting -- all snowmobiles must display a lighted headlight and tail-light at all times during operation.

## Recommended Equipment for Operators and Passengers

- An insulated snowmobile suit.
- Sturdy gloves that provide both hand and finger protection and a secure grip on the controls.
- Insulated boots for ankle and foot protection.

## Emergency Equipment

- Tool kit (knife, pliers, adjustable wrench, electrical tape, plug wrench and screwdriver).
- Flashlight (extra batteries and bulb).
- Matches and candles.
- Disposable blanket (heat reflecting space type).
- First aid kit.

## Restrictions on Youth Operators

A person under the age of 12, may not (a) operate a snowmobile without the direct supervision of the parent or guardian except on property owned or controlled by the parent (b) cross a highway or street.

A person who is at least 12, but less than 17 years of age, may not cross a highway or a street without having a valid snowmobile safety certificate in their immediate possession.

## Safety Education and Training

Snowmobile safety training is encouraged for all snowmobile operators. Modern snowmobiles are capable of high rates of speeds over snow and ice.

With the countless hazards associated with operating a snowmobile, training is a crucial factor in safe and responsible snowmobile operation.

Michigan Conservation Officers, in cooperation with schools, organizations and associations, take an active role in assuring that all of Michigan's citizens are given the opportunity to take a snowmobile safety course. The course emphasizes safe and responsible snowmobile operation.

## Operating on a Roadway

A snowmobile may be operated on the right-of-way of a public highway (except a limited access highway) if it is operated at the extreme right of the open portion of the right-of-way and with the flow of traffic on the highway.

Snowmobiles operated on a road right-of-way must travel in a single file and shall not be operated abreast except when overtaking or passing another snowmobile.

A snowmobile may be operated on the roadway or shoulder when necessary to cross a bridge or culvert if the snowmobile is brought to a complete stop before entering onto the roadway or shoulder and the operator yields the right-of-way to an approaching vehicle on the highway.

A snowmobile may be operated across a public highway, other than a limited access highway, at right angles to the highway for the purpose of getting from one area to another when the

operation can be done in safety and another vehicle is not crossing the highway at the same time in the immediate area.

An operator must bring the snowmobile to a complete stop before proceeding across the public highway and must yield the right-of-way to all oncoming traffic.

Snowmobiles may be operated on a highway in a county road system, which is not normally snowplowed for vehicular traffic; and on the right-of-way or shoulder when no right-of-way exists on a snowplowed highway in a county road system, outside the corporate limits of a city or village, which is designated and marked for snowmobile use by the county road commission having jurisdiction.

## Prohibited Operation of Snowmobile

A person shall not operate a snowmobile

- While under the influence of alcohol, a controlled substance or a combination of the two.

- At a rate of speed greater than is reasonable for existing conditions.

- In a forest nursery, planting area, or public lands posted or reasonably when growing stock may be damaged or as a natural dedicated area which is in zones two or three.

- On the frozen surface of public waters within 100 feet of a person, including a skater, not in or upon a snowmobile or within 100 feet of a fishing shanty or shelter except at a speed required to maintain forward movement of the snowmobile or on an area is necessary for gaining access to the public water.

- Within 100 feet of an occupied dwelling between midnight and 6 a.m. at a speed greater than the minimum required to maintain forward movement of the snowmobile.

- In or upon the land of another without consent of the owner or his agent, when required by the recreational trespass act.

- In an area open to public hunting during the firearm deer season from 7 to 11 a.m. and from 2 to 5 p.m.

- While transporting on the snow-

mobile, a bow unless unstrung or a firearm unless unloaded and securely encased or equipped with a trigger locking device.

- On or across a cemetery or burial ground, an airport, a public or private parking lot, a public highway or street, within 100 feet of a slide, ski or skating area, a railroad or a railroad right-of-way.

- To chase, pursue, worry or kill any wild bird or animal.

## Accident Reporting

The law requires that the operator of a snowmobile involved in an accident resulting in injuries to, or death of, any person, or property damage in an estimated amount of \$100 or more, must immediately notify a law enforcement agency within the county in which the accident occurred.

## Safe Riding Hints

Always keep the machine in top mechanical condition.

Always wear insulated boots and protective clothing including a helmet, gloves and eye protection.

Never ride alone.

Avoid, when possible, crossing frozen bodies of water.

Never operate in a single file when crossing frozen bodies of water.

Always be alert to avoid fences and low strung wires.

Never operate on a street or highway.

Always look for depressions in the snow.

Keep headlights and taillights on at all times.

When approaching an intersection, come to a complete stop, raise off the seat and look for traffic.

Always check the weather conditions before departing.

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## DOODLES FROM THE TALL TIMBER

By Wendell L. Hoover, Park Interpreter,  
North Higgins Lake State Park

Among those who prefer snowshoes to skis there are sometimes heated discussions about which style of snowshoe is best, but simply said, it boils down to personal preference most of the time. Your height, weight, for what purpose and where you will use them are also things to consider. If or when you purchase a pair of snowshoes keep in mind there are literally hundreds of separate styles that have had their origins from five basic types.

(1) The nearly round or round bearpaw which has a one-piece frame with a round toe and round heel. (2) The Athabascan having a two-piece frame with a pointed toe and pointed heel. (3) A variation of the Athabascan has a two-piece frame with a round- or squarish-spiced toe and a pointed heel. (4) The Naskapi has a two-piece frame with a round toe and round heel, but in an oblong rather than a round shape like the bearpaw. (5) There is a last widely used snowshoe with a one-piece frame with a round toe and a pointed heel.

The history of the snowshoe in North America is essentially one with webbing. In Europe the plank snowshoe was preferred, but why, is not understood. The most common type of snowshoe used in Michigan has a one-piece frame with a round toe and pointed heel. With the exception of the older bearpaw design this is the oldest frame type known. This design lacks a specific Indian name perhaps because it was used so widely that no single tribal name was attached to it.

The Athabascans are given credit for developing the upturned toe and developing rights and lefts for snowshoes to make walking easier. The Algonquians of Central Canada developed the hexagonal style of weaving in common use on most snowshoes today. Who came up with the use of the toe hole is open to debate, but both Indian groups made use of the two wooden crossbars.

When I first started with the department in the mid 50s, the snowshoe was the only aid to getting around during the winter. Snowshoes were carefully checked, repaired and

varnished to protect them from all the abuse they were subjected to. At one time the department manufactured its own snowshoes at the Cusino Wildlife Station near Shingleton and most field offices in northern Michigan usually had several pairs hanging in the shop. Long before the snowmobile came into use, conservation officers, biologists and foresters were supplied by this now forgotten department-sponsored industry.



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**SEVENTH GRADE GREEN TEAM** -- The Grayling Middle School Green Team is (front, from left) Chet Wheeler, Scott Bearss, Ryan Mirate, Matt Kersey and Nick Hurd. The second row (l-r) is Randy Ford, Mike Hale, Juell Joseph and Nick D'Amour. The third row (l-r) is Ricky Riggs, Brandon Gorr, Craig Enlou, Ben Sheldon, Ryan Stahl, Jim Thompson, Marvin Forbes and Coach Doug Pummell. Not pictured is Justin Schreiber.

Photo by Craig Hofman

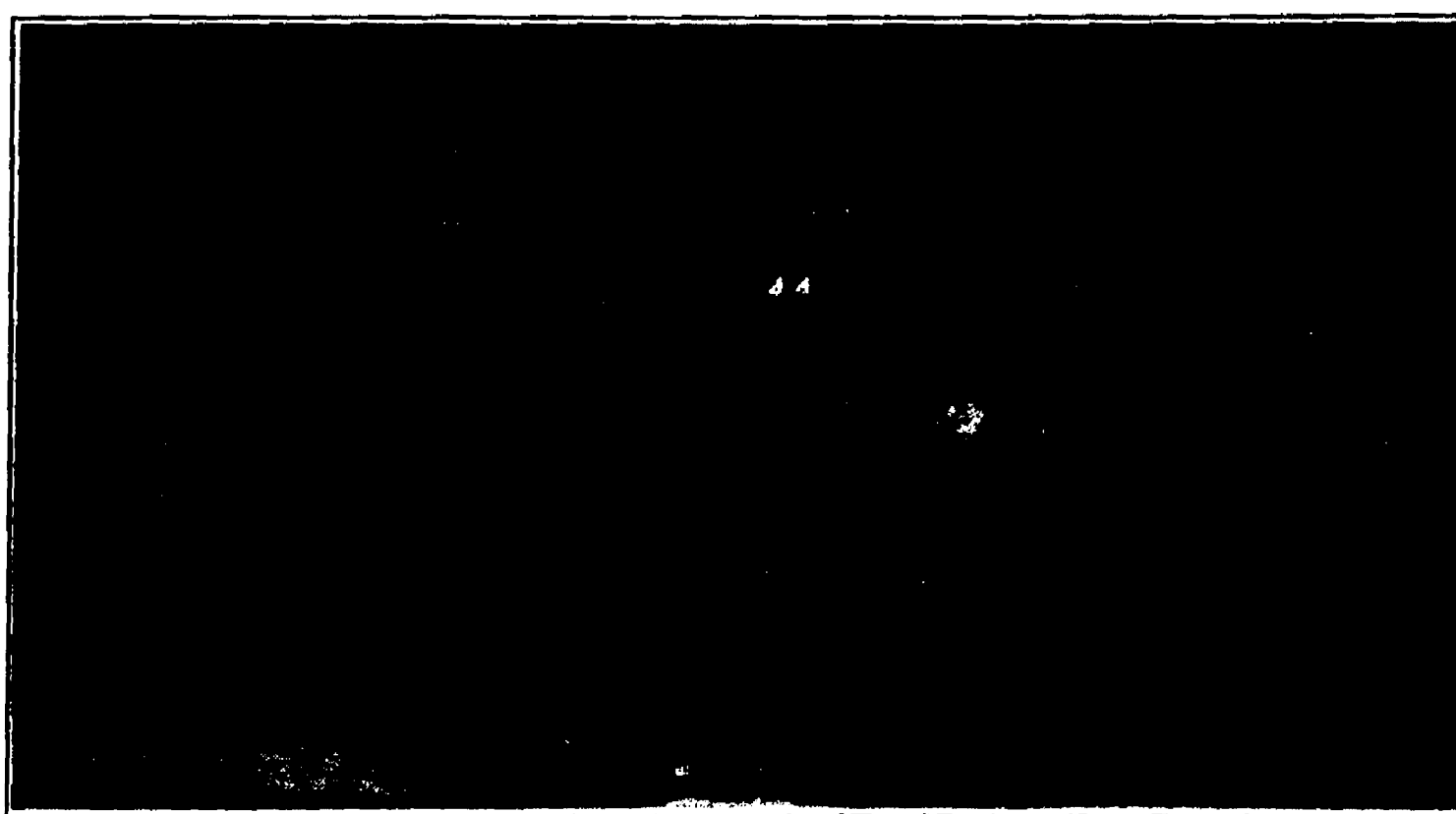
## LEGAL ACTION

### USDA - Forest Service Huron-Manistee National Forests Mio Ranger District Crawford County, Michigan

The Mio Ranger District is inviting comments on several routine activities proposed for the 1997 field season which have historically been found to have no significant impact on the human environment. These activities include:

- 1.) Small opening maintenance. Fifteen stands totaling 138 acres would be mowed, brushed or otherwise cleared to provide habitat for wildlife species which depend on open areas for forage and/or other habitat requirements. Stands are located in SE Crawford County, SW Oscoda County, and NE Ogemaw County.
- 2.) Creating waterholes. Ten small waterholes would be constructed in various locations. Water is an essential resource for wildlife species and is a limiting factor in many areas. These waterholes would provide a much-needed water source, especially in the summer months. Waterholes would be excavated about 6 feet deep and 20 feet in diameter, lined with plastic, backfilled with soil to cover the plastic, and revegetated.
- 3.) Wetland drawdown. A small 19-acre man-made wetland located in southeastern Oscoda County would be drawn down during the spring and summer to stimulate vegetative growth and promote decomposition of organic matter. This new growth would provide a food source for waterfowl.
- 4.) Horse rides and events. Permits would be issued for organized house rides/events on the Michigan Shore to Shore riding trail. Events would occur from May through October.
- 5.) Motorized trail tour. A permit would be issued to allow the ORV Safety Patrol to hold its annual trail tour fundraiser on the established ORV trail system. The event would occur in April or May.

Please send comments to District Ranger, U.S.D.A. Forest Service, 401 Court Street, Mio, MI 48647. For more information, please contact Loren Ford, District Ranger at 517-866-3262.



**SEVENTH GRADE WHITE TEAM** -- The Grayling Middle School White Team is (front, from left) Chris Robbins, Justin Fenn and Scott Latusek. The second row (l-r) is Kyle Roman, Jon Bancroft, Larry Baynham, Jimi Welch and R. J. Schmidt. The third row (l-r) is Chris Barrow, Chris McGuire, Wes Fox and Nate Frankina. The fourth row (l-r) is Coach Mark Hartman, Mike Barnes, Mike Eagen, Ryan Swope, Chris Fiebelkorn and Kalub Fedak.

Photo by Craig Hofman

### Public Notice - Request for Proposals SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

Michigan Works!-Northeast Consortium is requesting proposals for the Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) in the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Cheboygan, Crawford, Montmorency, Oscoda, Otsego and Presque Isle. The target population is economically disadvantaged at-risk youth, including high school dropouts, ages 14 - 21 years.

Eligible proposers are educational agencies, community-based organizations, and non-profit entities with demonstrated effectiveness with the named target groups.

Available dollars are \$595,305, approximately. Funds will be allocated as:

Alcona	\$ 47,705
Alpena	\$143,113
Cheboygan	\$101,372
Crawford	\$ 59,630
Montmorency	\$ 41,742
Oscoda	\$ 41,742
Otsego	\$ 95,408
Presque Isle	\$65,593

Proposers may bid for one or more or all eight counties.

Proposal due date is: 4:30 p.m., February 5, 1997.

#### Activities to be funded are:

1. Career Exploration for 14 - 16 year olds.

**Program Purpose:** Youth will have an opportunity to investigate various careers and aid in their future decision.

**Activities:** Should include academic remediation, site visits to businesses and vocational schools, communication skills and values clarification, and integration of the Challenge Program, a 10 day residential experiential education program at Camp Vanderbilt. Performance payments for achievement are allowed. At-risk youth should be recruited through the schools and other agencies for the total program including the Challenge Program experience. Costs of the Challenge Program should not be included in the proposal.

**Goals:** The program should be outcome based and enhance youth's academic, social and personal management skills.

2. Work Experience or Work-Based Learning project for 16 - 21 year olds.

**Program Purpose:** Youth will have the opportunity to enhance employability through work in the public or private non-profit sector.

**Activities:** Work experience in the public or private non-profit sector is for minimum wage and a maximum of 35 hours per week.

**Goals:** Programs should be outcome based and result in work maturity skills acquisition.

Requests for proposals should be made to Terry Basel or Edie Kerr, 517-733-8548, Michigan Works! - Northeast Consortium, PO Box 711, Onaway, Michigan 49765. Disk copies are available upon request. **Mandatory Bidder's Conference** is to be held **January 17, 1997 at 1:00 pm** at the Northeast Michigan Consortium, 20709 State Street, Onaway, Michigan. The proposal deadline submission date is **4:30 pm, February 5, 1997**, at the Northeast Michigan Consortium, Onaway, Michigan. Late proposals will not be considered. Proposals may be FAXed with original signature pages mailed within the following three working days.

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**POM PON II** -- The Grayling Middle School pom pon II squad is (front, from left) Ashley Linkhart, Kristin Lee, Mary Wingfield, Jennifer Millar, Alex Pomeroy, Shannon Terry, Patti Martella, Andria Alvarez and Bonnie Mahaney. The second row (l-r) is Catherine Cain, Michelle Gildner, Amber Evans, Desi Young, Vanessa Curley, Danta Woodscrouch, Andrea Yanniello, Julie Owens and Sarah Starks. The last row (l-r) Christina Lockwood, Kim Babbitt, Arrow Francisco, Nicole Starr, Danyelle Larson, Amanda Gasser, Jenna McClain, Ashley Beemer and Coach Tonya Wolcott.

Photo by Craig Hofman

## YOUTH BOWLING LEAGUE

Island Hoppers	
Beach Burns	11-1
Treasure Hunters	8-4
Star Gazers	8-4
Pirates	6-6
Wave Runners	5-7
Pearl Divers	5-7
Radioactive Coconuts	4-8
Rain Makers	1-11
Boys High Game	Jason Trudeau, 172
Boys High Series	Doug Wilhelm, 490
Girls High Game	Nikki Strohpaul, 159
Girls High Series	Nikki Strohpaul, 460

Beach	
Sand Pipers	9-0
Wild Orchids	8-1
Sea Shells	6-3
Coconuts	4.5-4.5
Flamingos	3-6
Sand Castles	2-7
Jelly Fish	2-7
Star Fishes	1.5-7.5
Boys High Game	Michael Salyers, 165
Boys High Series	Michael Salyers, 297
Girls High Game	Ashley Hawley, 128
Girls High Series	Ashley Hawley, 236

Ocean	
Dolphins	8-1
Sea Horses	8-1
Tile Waves	5-4
Sea Gulls	4-5
Hurricanes	3-6
Turtles	3-6
Sharks	3-6
Sting Rays	2-7
Boys High Game	Nicholas McNamar, 118
Boys High Series	Nicholas McNamar, 234
Girls High Game	Darce Lovely, 98
Girls High Series	Alyson Helsel, 187

## POOL LEAGUE

Women's Pool League	
Red Barn	85
Legion	82
Plaza	81
Swamp II	80
Spike's	74
Breakers	66
6 BALL RUN	Audrey of Legion
5 BALL RUN	Cookie of Swamp II, Annette of Swamp II, Jill of Plaza, Theresa of Spike's

Men's Pool League	
Weyerhaeuser	13-5
Red Barn II	12-6
Holiday Inn	12-6
Plaza	11-7
Red Barn I	7-11
Breakers	6-12
Frogs	6-12
Frederic Inn I	5-13
Frederic Inn II	0-0
8 BALL ON BREAK	Greg of Holiday Inn
8 BALL RUN	Chuck of Red Barn II
7 BALL RUN	Finnie of Red Barn II, Joe of Frogs
WON ALL GAMES	Dave and Steve of Holiday Inn



**POM PON I** -- The Grayling Middle School pom pon I squad is Elizabeth Wheeler, Michele Belcher, Jessy Strait, Angela Cooper, Gina Rosi, Amber Moore, Kelly Jansen, Aubry Haertel, Jenny Mastey, Jamie Dent, Tracy Parkinson, Gina Thompson, Lori Hinkle, Stacey Kuhn, Nicole Larm and Coach Tonya Wolcott.

Photo by Craig Hofman



**CHEERLEADERS** -- The Grayling Middle School cheerleaders are (front, from left) Heather LaVecchia, Ashley Wolcott, Rachel Evon and Sarah Weaver. The second row (l-r) is Ashlee Cox, Heather King, Alisha Carlisle, Heather Potter, Tiffany Pizzi and Kira Maples. The coaches are Tonya Wolcott (left) and Michele Ledger.

Photo by Craig Hofman

### Holiday Inn Viking of the week

### Wrestling Josh Taylor

Viking senior Josh Taylor was chosen Viking of the Week last week for taking first place at the Gladwin Tournament, improving his season to 13-2. Last week, the wrong photo was inadvertently put in. The Avalanche apologizes for any inconvenience this may have caused.



## CRAWFORD COUNTY WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE October 15, 1996

The Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Black at 8:12 a.m.  
Commissioners Present: Black, Bretzke, Hartman, Long, Smock.  
Absent: McLachlan.  
Sandra Moore, County Clerk/Reg. of Deeds  
— present.  
— Approved the Board Minutes of September 3, 1996 as presented.  
— Listed for sale the 17 acres of County owned property with Cornell Realty at a price of \$25,000.00.  
— Agreed to purchase the necessary Courthouse foyer mats at a cost of \$641.60 from Great Lakes Specialty.  
— Declined the request by the Probation and Parole Department for the cleaning of their department fax machine and request such repairs be handled within the department.  
— Amended the agenda to allow Sheriff Lovely to present his report.  
— Approved the date of the Sheriff's Sale for Wednesday, October 23, 1996 at 5:30 p.m. at the McNamara Airport hangar with the understanding all equipment for sale will be sold "as is".  
— Approved the Sheriff to proceed with the lowest car bidder for the purchase of two patrol vehicles which are to be delivered after January 1, 1997.  
— Amended the agenda to allow the presentation by the Crawford/Roscommon Soil AUSAble District representatives.  
Meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.  
A full context of the meeting minutes are on file in the Clerk's Office.  
Sandra Moore, County Clerk/Reg. of Deeds  
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## CRAWFORD COUNTY WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE November 12, 1996

The Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Black at 8:07 a.m.  
Commissioners present: Black, Bretzke, Long, and McLachlan.  
Absent: Hartman and Smock.  
Sandra Moore, County Clerk/Reg. of Deeds  
— absent.  
There were also other visitors present.  
— Approved the Board Minutes of October 15, 1996 as presented.  
— Approved the purchase of an artificial Christmas tree for use in the Courthouse lobby in replacement of the one discarded from asbestos exposure in the amount of \$100.00.  
— Agreed to purchase the necessary Courthouse foyer mats at a cost of \$641.60 from Great Lakes Specialty.  
— Approved the request by Dean Goss to purchase time for prior Municipal Employment Retirement Service.  
— Agreed to facilitate Commissioner McLachlan's request to purchase prior Municipal Employment Retirement Service Time.  
— Amended the agenda to have Michael Skoog of the Health Dept. address the Board.  
— Approved the commissioners who wish to attend the Commissioners Training Seminar at a cost of \$45.00 each at the Holiday Inn on Thursday, December 12, 1996.  
Meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.  
A full context of the meeting minutes is on file in the Clerk's Office.  
Sandra Moore, County Clerk/Reg. of Deeds  
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## STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

File No: 96-3953-CH  
ERVIN CAMPBELL and JEANETTE B. CAMPBELL, husband and wife,  
Plaintiff  
v.  
KENNETH E. HARRIS  
Defendants  
CAREY & ASSOCIATES, P.C.  
By William L. Carey (P31602)  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
2375 S. I-75 Business Loop,  
Grayling, MI 49738  
517-348-5232

**NOTICE OF LAND CONTRACT FORECLOSURE BY SALE**  
CAREY & ASSOCIATES, P.C., is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

In pursuance and by virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, made and entered in the above-entitled cause on the 26th day of November, 1996, notice is hereby given that the Crawford County Clerk shall sell at public sale to the highest bidder, at the front door of the County Building in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan on the 17th of January, 1997 at 10:00 in the forenoon, the following described property, located in the Township of Maple Forest, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, to wit:

PARCEL 1. North one-half of the following described parcel: Being a part of the north 1/2 of Section 19, T28N, R3W, described as: Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of said Section 19, thence N 87°51'16" W, 607.37 feet, thence N 0°16'09" W, 397.94 feet to Point of Beginning, thence N 0°16'19" W, 1190.89 feet, thence S 88°12'28" E, 1577.59 feet to the Westerly right of way of I-75, thence 1027.59 feet along a curve to the right, with a radius of 11344.19 feet and a long chord of S 7°31'25" W, 1027.24 feet, thence N 88°20'23" W, 744.93 feet, thence S 89°04'22" West, 668.34 feet to the Point of Beginning. Contains 20.12 acres.

CAREY & ASSOCIATES, P.C.  
By William L. Carey (P31602)  
Attorney for Campbells  
2375 S. I-75 Business Loop,  
P.O. Drawer 665  
Grayling, MI 49738

-12-19-26-2-9-16

## MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE — Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Robert A. HOWDEN and Lisa R. HOWDEN, husband and wife to Express Funding, Inc., a Nevada Corporation dba EPI Funding, Mortgagee, dated January 26, 1996 and recorded on February 1, 1996 in Liber 406, on page 446-453, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to BANKERS TRUST COMPANY, as Trustee as assignee, by an assignment dated November 19, 1996, which was recorded on December 9, 1996, in Liber 422, on Page 442, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Twenty Four Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Seven and 23/100 dollars (\$24,657.23), including interest at 11.29% per annum.  
Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 11:00 AM o'clock, on February 5, 1997.  
Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

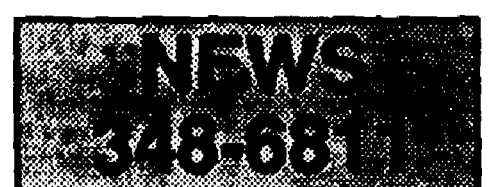
Lot 3, Block 24, ROFFEES ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE (NOW CITY) OF GRAYLING, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 01, Page 11, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600 3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 36 days from the date of such sale.

Dated December 26, 1996  
BANKERS TRUST COMPANY, as Trustee  
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
(810) 642-4202  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys for BANKERS TRUST COMPANY, as Trustee.

30150 Telegraph  
Suite 100  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025  
File #96105844

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## PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

The Board of Road Commissioners will conduct their second regular meeting of the year at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, January 23, 1997, in the Road Commission Board Room, 500 Huron, Grayling, Michigan. Bill Gannon, Bob Nelson, Ray Swiercz, Commissioners. J. Briney, Managing Director.

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## NOTICE

Please take notice at the regular board meeting of January 7, 1997, the Crawford County Board of Commissioners passed a motion to hold a work session on Tuesday, January 21, 1997, at 8 a.m. in the county courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI for discussion on the matter of county revenue.

Sandra Moore  
Crawford County Clerk/Register of Deeds  
January 8, 1997

## NOTICE Economic Development Fund Position

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners will be accepting applications for persons interested in serving on the Economic Development Fund Board. All applicants must be residents of Crawford County. Please respond to Sandra Moore, Crawford County clerk/register of deeds, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738, by 4 pm January 31 1997.

Sandra Moore,  
County Clerk/Register of Deeds  
January 10, 1997

## NOTICE Planning Commission Position Notice

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners will accept application for persons interested in serving on the Crawford County Planning Commission. All applicants must be residents of Crawford County. Please respond to Sandra Moore, Crawford County clerk/register of deeds, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738, by 4 pm January 31 1997.

Sandra Moore,  
County Clerk/Register of Deeds  
January 10, 1997

## NOTICE OF REBATE

To the general public:

On January 7, 1997, the board of commissioners passed a motion approving the refund of one dollar (\$1.00) for receipts from persons receiving copies with the Crawford County register of deeds office. Refunds will be made if a proper receipt is presented to the county clerk/register of deeds office no later than April 7, 1997.

Sandra Moore  
Crawford County Clerk/Register of Deeds  
1/8/97

## CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS Regular Meeting of November 26, 1996

The Regular Meeting was called to order by Chairman Bretzke at 10:00 a.m. on November 26, 1996.

Roll call: Bretzke, Long, Hartman, Black, McLachlan and Smock.  
Absent: None.

Sandra Moore, County Clerk/Reg. of Deeds  
— present.

There were also other visitors present.

— Approved the Board Minutes of November 12, 1996 with two corrections on the second page. The first correction to Claims, Vouchers & Per Diem Motion as follows: "Commissioner Hartman's Per Diem be approved in advance as long as it does not exceed the govern rule of four regular meetings and six outside meetings per month", and the second correction to motion under title of "Acceptance of Apportionment Report" to include Commissioner Smock's aye vote.  
— Accepted the correspondence as presented.  
— Accepted the resignation of Gary Johnson from the Crawford County Housing Commission who is retiring and will forward at thank you letter to him.

— Denied the 1997 Budget request for the Family Independence Agency of \$2,000.00 and forward \$1,000.00 as done in prior years.  
— Agreed to close the Courthouse from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Friday, December 20, 1996 to hold the Crawford County Employee Christmas Party at the residence of Sandra Brody.

— Asked that the Clerk request copies of the 1997 Annual Budget from Camp Shawano, Camp Lehigh, Family Independence Agency, the Health Department, and the Department of Mental Health.  
— As the correspondence dated November 22, 1996 from Warner, Norcross & Judd, P.C. indicates the lawsuit litigation between City Environmental vs. Crawford County has been concluded and the reinstatement of contracted services with City Environmental will resume as soon as possible.  
— Honored the request of Commissioner McLachlan to abstain from voting on the prior motion involving City Environmental Services.

— Approved a parental request to have her child seek Pulmonary Testing of which the County will pay the first \$50.00 with any remaining balance to be the responsibility of the parent.  
— Agreed to allow those who were unable to attend the Pulmonary Testing conducted in the Courthouse to seek testing elsewhere, and the County will pay the first \$50.00 with the remaining balance to be the responsibility of those tested.

— Agreed that in order to protect and enhance indoor air quality for all County Employees and the General Public with the new heating and cooling system in operation all will observe "No Smoking" in the Courthouse. The Clerk will provide every Department Head copies of the Clean Air Ordinance No. 93-1 effective 3/25/93 and Policy No. GO-10 "Smoking" of the Operations Policy Manual effective 4/16/96 which are in effect and must be observed.  
— Agreed to renew coverage of the County Liability Insurance Policy with Michigan Township Participating Plan through Municipal Underwriters of Michigan, Inc. Representative Paul Olsen at a cost of \$40,321.00 for a policy term of January 1997 through January 1998.

— Approved the Sheriff to proceed and have the Patrol Vehicle repaired with Advanced Collision in the amount of \$2,861.49.  
— Rescheduled the 1997 Organizational Meeting for Thursday, January 2, 1997 at 10:00 a.m.

— Appointed Kirk Wakefield to the Building Authority for a term through August 1999.

— Appointed Joe Gonica to the Soldiers & Sailors Board.

— Agreed the Board support and endorse the letter of recognition prepared by Commissioner Hartman to the Library Board for their actions in providing the internet accessibility at the County Library to the Public.  
Meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

A full context of the meeting minutes is on file in the Clerk's Office.  
Sandra Moore, County Clerk/Reg. of Deeds  
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— Approved the 1996 Tax Rate Request as presented by the County Treasurer during Truth & Taxation specified in column eleven as follows: Operations .63232, Public Transportation .72960, Hanson Hills .50000, and Commission on Aging .48640.

— Accepted the 1996 Millage Apportionment Report for Crawford County as: Allocated .63232, Public Transportation .7296, Commission on Aging .4864, Grayling Recreation Authority .5000.

— Accepted the correspondence as presented.

— Appointed Lloyd K. Ford to the Economic Development Corporation.

— Agreed to send one Deputy Clerk to the Personal Protection Order Seminar at Shanty Creek on December 16 & 17, 1996 at a registration cost of \$45.00, and to forward the bill for the seminar to the appropriate agency in Lansing for reimbursement under the Headlee Amendment.

— Approved the Site Plan request by R&L Transfer, Inc. based on the Planning Commission recommendation.

— Asked that the County Physician write the appropriate prescription for pulmonary function testing. This would authorize the physician to take appropriate measures to insure the health and welfare of all present during the asbestos exposure period.

This matter will be placed under Old Business for the next meeting for a status update.

— Agreed to forward a letter to the Economic Development Fund on behalf of this Board inquiring on the procedures followed in the approving of grants on the Milltown theme project.

— Meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.  
A full context of the meeting minutes are on file in the Clerk's Office.

Sandra Moore, county Clerk/Reg. of Deeds  
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## CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PERSONNEL & LABOR COMMITTEE October 29, 1996

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Hartman at 12:00 p.m.  
Members Present: Hartman, Long, McLachlan, Smock, Bretzke and Black.  
Members Absent: None.  
Sandra Moore, County Clerk/Reg. of Deeds

— present.

— Agreed to adopt the Department Head Personnel Manual as of this date and this manual shall supersede any policies the County as adopted to date, and the wording on page three under "Allowable Paid Days" Section B. "Vacation Days" shall read as follows:

One year through four years of service ..... 10 days.

Five years through nine years of service ..... 15 days.

Ten years or more of service ..... 20 days.

— Approved the October 15, 1996 Board Minutes.

— Denied the posting for an open position in District Court due to the fact that the Board passed a motion prior to this meeting issuing a hiring freeze of County employees until the first of the year, Judge Davis advised he did not feel the position needed to be refilled and financial matters will be dealt with after the first of the year.

— Agreed to study the establishment of windows for retirement purposes and have the Clerk provide information at the next Ways & Means Meeting.

— Agreed to notify interested parties who wish to purchase the old light fixtures not sold at the recent Sheriff's Sale.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

A full context of the meeting minutes are on file in the Clerk's Office.

Sandra Moore, County Clerk/Reg. of Deeds  
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## CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS Regular Meeting of November 12, 1996

The Regular Meeting was called to order by Chairman Bretzke at 10:00 a.m. on November 12, 1996.

Roll call: Bretzke, Long, Black, and McLachlan — present. Absent: Hartman, and Smock. Chief Deputy, Michael Dunckel — present. There were no other visitors present.

— Accepted the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of October 29, 1996.

— Amended the agenda to allow Pauline Petroskey to make a presentation for the Grayling Recreation Authority.

— Closed the Regular Board Meeting to open the Public Hearing on Truth & Taxation.

— Returned to the Regular Board Meeting.

— Agreed to table the matter of setting Tax Rates when a full Board will be present to act on this issue and a full report will be presented on the millage rate. If the Truth in Taxation remains at the 1995 level rather than acquiring the 1996 level, we will know the overall impact on County revenue, County services, and impact on the County Budget.

— Accepted the Ways & Means Report and approve payment on the following vouchers: General Fund \$132,285.68 and Balance from the "Open Invoice Report" in the amount of \$165,366.78: Commissioners Per Diem: Commissioner Black \$266.00 Per Diem and \$25.37 mileage; Commissioner Bretzke \$266.00 Per Diem; Commissioner Hartman \$170.00 per Diem; Commissioner Long \$244.00 per Diem; Commissioner Smock \$180.00 Per Diem.

— Agreed to approve Commissioner Hartman's Per Diem in advance as long as it does not exceed the govern rule of four regular meetings and two outside meetings per month.

— Agreed to remove from the table the Truth & Taxation Hearing.

— Agreed to adopt the 1996 Tax Rate Request as presented by the County Treasurer during Truth & Taxation specified in column eleven as follows: Operations .63232, Public Transportation .72960, Hanson Hills .50000, and Commission on Aging .48640.

— Accepted the 1996 Millage Apportionment Report for Crawford County as: Allocated .63232, Public Transportation .7296, Commission on Aging .4864, Grayling Recreation Authority .5000.

— Accepted the correspondence as presented.

— Appointed Lloyd K. Ford to the Economic Development Corporation.

— Agreed to send one Deputy Clerk to the Personal Protection Order Seminar at Shanty Creek on December 16 & 17, 1996 at a registration cost of \$45.00, and to forward the bill for the seminar to the appropriate agency in Lansing for reimbursement under the Headlee Amendment.

— Approved the Site Plan request by R&L Transfer, Inc. based on the Planning Commission recommendation.

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— Meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.  
A full context of the meeting minutes are on file in the Clerk's Office.

Sandra Moore, county Clerk/Reg. of Deeds  
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## NOTICE

The City of Grayling has become aware that an unknown party has, on two occasions, snowplowed Elmwood Cemetery roads. It appears the individual is acting in good faith. However, it should be realized that snowplowing throws debris onto adjacent lots creating unsightly conditions which could easily result in financial damage, and possibly criminal liability.

Elmwood Cemetery, weather permitting, is left open to facilitate Holiday grave visitation and decoration. The City of Grayling does not plow cemetery roads for the reason that damage is likely in so confined an area. To prevent further grounds damage exposure, the cemetery entrances have been closed to vehicle traffic at this time.

Sincerely,  
Peter W. Stephan  
Cemetery Sexton

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## NOTICE Zoning Board of Appeals Position

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners will accept application for persons interested in serving on the Crawford County Zoning Board of Appeals. All applicants must be residents of Crawford County. Please respond to Sandra Moore, Crawford County clerk/register of deeds, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738, by January 31 1997.

Sandra Moore,  
County Clerk/Register of Deeds  
January 10, 1997

## USDA - FOREST SERVICE HURON-MANISTEE NATIONAL FORESTS MIO RANGER DISTRICT

The Mio Ranger District is inviting comments on the Knell Lake Day Use Area Rehabilitation. The following actions are associated with this project: 1.) Realign and pave the access road from Stephan Bridge Rd. to the Day Use Area. 2.) Expand and pave the parking lot. 3.) Construct stairs and a handicap accessible ramp from the parking lot to the beach. 4.) Replace the retaining wall at the beach. 5.) Complete erosion control work on hillsides. 6.) Construct stairways from campground to beach area. 7.) Remove existing flush toilet building and replace with handicap accessible vault toilets. 8.) Install accessible barbecue grills and picnic tables. 9.) Construct an entry station to be staffed by the concessionaire. Funding for this project is expected in fiscal year 1998.

Please send comments by February 1, 1997 to U.S.D.A. Forest Service, 401 Court Street, Mio MI 48647. For more information, please contact Sandy Cavency at 517-826-3252.

## FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT of the Multiple Launch Rocket System

The Michigan National Guard, 182nd Field Artillery Battalion (1-182 FA) and possibly other out-of-state units would like to fire the Multiple Launch Rocket System (MLRS) at the Camp Grayling Annual Training Site. As many as 108 non-explosive Reduced Range Practice Rockets per year would be fired at the Camp Grayling Range 30 Complex.

A draft report was prepared that analyzed whether the action complied with environmental laws and what effect it was likely to have on noise, air and water resources, soils, plants and wildlife, and other natural resources. It was titled "Multiple Launch Rocket System Firing, Michigan Army National Guard, Camp Grayling, Michigan - Draft Environmental Assessment" or "Draft EA" and was made available for public comment from August 14 - September 16, 1996. After benefiting from suggestions from the public, we have completed a final version of the EA that responds to all letters from the public and/or agencies received.

A careful analysis of the Final EA has led us to the conclusion that the 182nd FA and other out-of-state units may fire up to 108 of the Reduced Range Practice Rockets per year from a set of multiple firing points located at the Camp Grayling Range 30 Complex without having a significant impact on the environment. This will provide the most realistic training while best protecting the environment. This conclusion is detailed in a document titled "Finding of No Significant Impact" or "FONSI".

From now until February 17, 1997, you can study and comment on the Final EA and FONSI at the following locations:

Crawford County Library  
106 James Street  
Grayling, MI 49738  
10 am - 7 pm Mon.-Fri.  
10 am - 2 pm Sat.

Camp Grayling Headquarters  
Building 117  
Camp Grayling, MI 49738  
8 am - 4 pm Mon.-Fri.

Department of Military Affairs  
Public Affairs Office  
1500 S. Washington Ave.  
Lansing, MI 48913  
8 am - 4 pm Monday - Friday

A limited number of copies of the Final EA and FONSI are available at Camp Grayling and Lansing Headquarters or by calling the Lansing Public Affairs Office at (517) 483-5800.

We would appreciate your comments on the Final EA and FONSI. Your letter needs to be received at the Department of Military Affairs by February 17, 1997 using the above addresses.

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# FEATURES

## YOUR HOROSCOPE

### Your Week Ahead Horoscope

Forecast For: Jan. 26 - Feb. 1, 1997

- ARIES** Stress can cause burnout. Take control of your March 21-April 19 feelings and your emotions before they take control of you.
- TAURUS** A more flexible schedule could be the answer to April 20 - May 20 your problems at work. Do not show favoritism toward co-workers.
- GEMINI** The new year is a good time to inject a few May 21 - June 20 common sense resolutions into your daily routine. Think carefully.
- CANCER** Take advantage of a break in the weather for the June 21 - July 22 worst is yet to come. Plan a ski trip.
- LEO** Young person wants to be accepted as an equal. July 23 - Aug 22 Don't judge him on his age. Give him the benefit of youth.
- VIRGO** Work harder at your current relationship. Stir Aug 23 - Sept 22 the embers and the fire will still be there.
- LIBRA** Friends lend support when you most need it. Sept 23 - Oct 22 Don't take advantage of someone's good nature.
- SCORPIO** Now is the time to start that novel or that special Oct 23 - Nov 21 project you have been putting off. Hop to it!
- SAGITTARIUS** Take advantage of some "post-holiday" sales and Nov 22 - Dec 21 buy those items you need. "Charge" if necessary.
- CAPRICORN** Confine your opinions to those who are closest Dec 22 - Jan 19 to you. Don't be overly talkative to mere acquaintances.
- AQUARIUS** Be a little more careful with your spending Jan 20 - Feb 18 habits. Good time to rework your budget.
- PISCES** Your dream vacation is a long way off. Keep Feb 19 - March 20 your eye on the present and stick to the issues at hand.



**WANT A DOG** — This is a seven-month-old cocker spaniel mix. The dog seems to be housebroken. To adopt any of the pets available, stop by or give the Animal Shelter of Crawford County a call at 348-4117.

## PET CARE TIPS

Cats and kittens often nap on warm car engines. Knock on the hood or honk the horn, then wait a few minutes before starting the car.

Pets like the smell and taste of antifreeze, but even a small amount can kill them. Thoroughly clean up spills at once. Tightly close containers holding antifreeze and store them where pets cannot get to them.

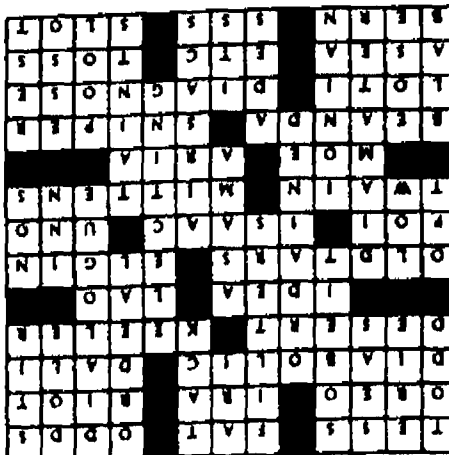
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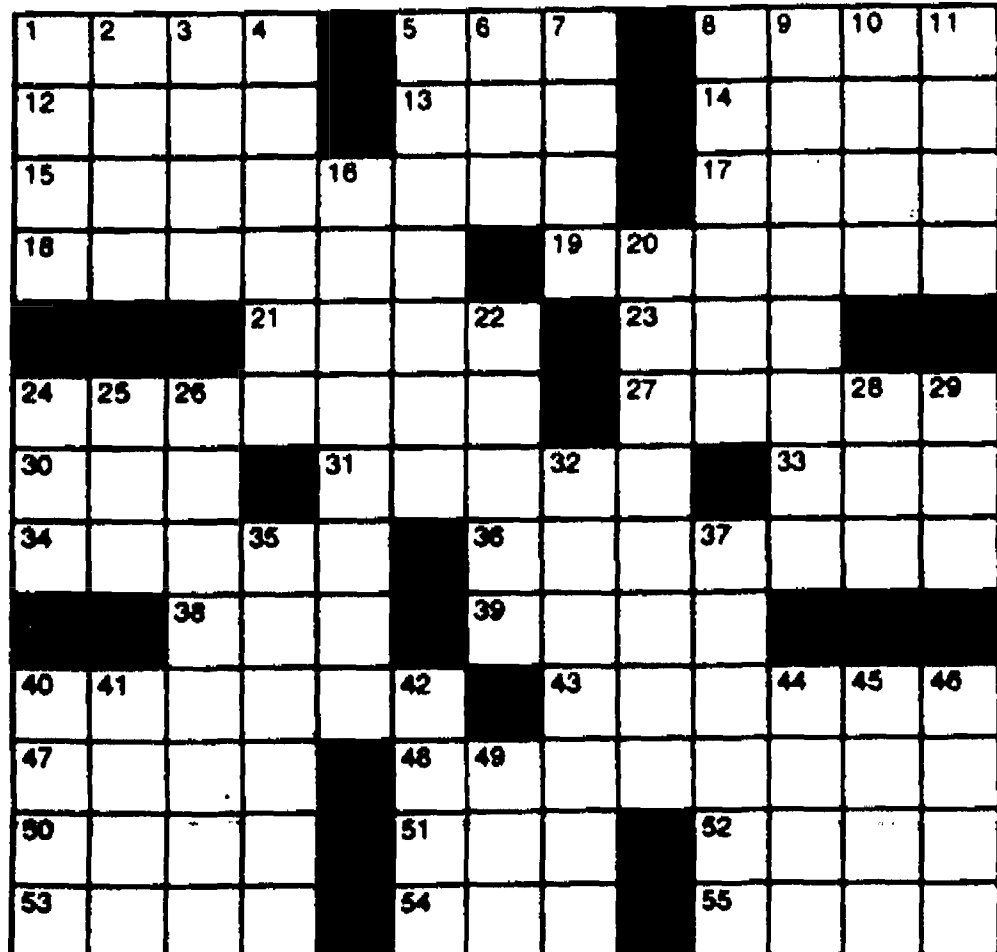
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19. Ruby of the movies
21. Notion
23. Vientiane native
24. Ancient mariners (2 wds.)
27. Ill. city
30. Taro food
31. Stern or Newton
33. Family card game
34. Clemens
36. Baby gloves
38. Curly's brother
39. Solo
40. Ms. Vaccaro
43. Hidden gunman
47. Fr. author

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55. Groove
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26. What a caliper measures
28. Tavern
29. Negatives
32. Bird pouches (2 wds.)
35. Ancient Greek area native
37. Infests
40. Tell
41. \_\_\_\_\_ of Sharon
42. Citrus drinks
44. Lottery
45. Before Exxon
46. Repose
49. "\_\_\_\_\_ in the bag"



## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

### 23 Years Ago Jan. 17, 1974

A community ice skating rink is now open at the high school football practice field at the end of Ionia Street. Lights will be turned on for night skating, from 6:30 until 10 p.m. daily. The skating rink was built and is being maintained by Grayling Booster Club members.

Public Notice: Plans are now being formulated for this year's February Opossum Hunt.

James Keighley, Jr. is the new Crawford County Department of Social Services Director as of Jan. 7. He replaces Donald M. Burkett, who has retired.

Joemar Smith, President Hallmark Development, announces the opening Jan. 18 of the new 5-bay car wash at the Grayling Mall.

Frederic Hobby Club met on Jan. 10, at the home of Mrs. Merna Newberry with five members present.

The evening was spent playing Bingo. Prizes were won by Mrs. Helma Post and Mrs. Vi Middleton. The door prize was won by Mrs. Becky Baynham.

Mrs. Vonda Smith passed away on Jan. 5. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert LaFountain and the sister of Ruth Barber of Frederic and Jackie Trudeau of Grayling.

The following are among the patients at Mercy Hospital this week: Randy Bindschattel, Lulah Bitters, Meshach Bowers, Clarence Clippert, Winifred Elliott, James Farley, Chester Hawley, Katherin Isenhauer, Margaret Keway, Ernest Larson, Anthony Nelson, Allie Post, Beatrice Thayer, Maxine Trudeau, Philip Trudgeon, Jolinda Westers and Leah Yoder, all of Grayling.

Mrs. Charles R. Barber has been named to head the Grayling operations of the H & R Block Co., America's largest income tax service organization. The Barbers have five children, one married, one in the U.S. Army, and three in Grayling schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Sawyer flew to Chicago a week ago Sunday, due to the sudden death of Glenn's mother, Stella Sawyer, on Saturday at Bensenville, Ill. The funeral was held at Hursen Funeral Home in Hillside, Ill. Mrs. Sawyer has taken trips with the Ausagra Acres groups and was well known in Grayling.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hunter of Lincoln Park were holiday guests of John's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hunter. John is presently attending Wayne State Law School and Barbara is teaching.

The Dick Hamlin family and the Jack Mead family spent the New Year's weekend at St. Martin's Point and Cedarville. While there, they attended a New Year's Eve Party at the home of Jack's uncle, Elton Mead.

The Richard Smith family of Mt. Pleasant spent the holidays here visiting the Dick Hamlins, Dick Bangers and Bud Smiths.

Mrs. Pat Thompson (former Mary Bobenmayer) was guest of honor, Sunday, Jan. 13 at a baby shower given at the home of Mrs. Raymond Elsey. Hostesses were Mrs. Elsey, Mrs. Randy Thompson and Mrs. David Hanson.

Mrs. Elizabeth Atkinson visited Mrs. Elmira Heath in Flint Sunday and reports that she is coming along very well and would enjoy hearing from her friends. Bill Moshier, who is spending some time here from his home in California, accompanied Mrs. Atkinson to Flint and visited friends.

### 46 Years Ago Jan. 18, 1951

Roland Wilcox was at home from Flint for a few days last week.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Annis at Mercy Hospital on Jan. 14. Mother and baby were released from the hospital on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilson and son, Douglas, left for Alpena, Tuesday. Mr. Wilson returned Wednesday and Mrs. Wilson and Douglas remained for a longer visit.

Blonde Betty Jean Mathewson, 17 year old Grayling High School senior will be crowned as Miss Grayling 1951 at ceremonies to be held at the Grayling Winter Sports Park this Sunday afternoon. Presiding at the coronation ceremonies will be Conservation Commissioner, George A. Griffith of Grayling.

Frank and Joan Madill spent the weekend with their parents and other relatives in Frederic.

Caroline Long is hostess to a walking cast as the result of breaking her ankle while skiing.

Members of the American Legion are enjoying a television set recently installed at their hall.

Mrs. Lorne J. Douglas is spending two weeks in Bay City visiting her sister, Miss Margaret Failing.

Murray and Lowell Bindschattel leave Wednesday for service in the Navy. They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. George Bindschattel.

Mrs. George Quinn and son Butch have left for Jonesboro, Ga. to spend three weeks with Mrs. Herberti Voght.

The Elmer Giegling is driving a new Mercury.

Bud Taylor of Frederic is now employed by McEvers Garage in Grayling.

Elroy Barber came home Friday night from his work in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nielsen, Jr., announce the arrival of a son, Louis Richard at Mercy Hospital on Jan. 14. Louis weighed 8 pounds 4 ounces.

### 69 Years Ago Jan. 19, 1928

J.J. Higgins of Frederic was brought to Mercy Hospital for medical attention.

Alfred Hanson is absent from the service station and Earl Dawson is away from his duties at the A & P store because of having their tonsils removed at Mercy Hospital Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Hans Niederer and son of Gaylord are visiting at the home of Mrs. Joseph Smith.

Miss Maxine Collen who has been taking a course in beauty culture in Detroit is spending two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Collen.

Gordon Underwood of Pontiac is the new baker at the Model Bakery.

Mr. and Mrs. Holger Hanson returned the fore part of the week from a pleasant visit in Detroit with the Emil Hanson and Samuel Phelps families.

Frank Ahman has purchased the machine and blacksmith shop at Salling Hanson Co., that is located on Cedar Street near the bridge.

Arthur May has resumed his duties as a messenger boy for the Western Union Telegraph, after two weeks illness. Ellsworth Laurdson looked after his duties while he was gone.

Several Danish friends of Mrs. Peter Schmidt gave her a delightful surprise party on her 81st birthday anniversary that fell on Saturday, Jan. 7.

Joseph Smith of Midland visited his family here the last of the week. He and his son, Vern, are employed in a bakery in Midland.

Carl Jensen purchased the trucking business of Harvey Wheeler, who has followed this business for several years in Grayling. Mr. Wheeler and sons, Keith and Kenoff expect to leave soon for Pontiac, where they all have jobs awaiting them.

### 94 Years Ago Jan. 19, 1905

The big boarding house at Deward burned last Friday at two o'clock in the morning.

The new County Clerk, Wm. Taylor will occupy the residence of Mrs. Sarah McKay, lately vacated by O. P. Hanson.

C. W. Amidon put down a tubular well for Fred Sholtz in Beaver Creek last week and will furnish water for the entire neighborhood.

Mr. and Mrs. Efner Matson with babies left for their new home in Lapeer last Monday.



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1/09	23	-1		7.0"
1/10	21	10	0.13	9.0"
1/11	16	7	0.03	9.5"
1/12	17	9	0.10	14.5"
1/13	17	12	0.015	14.5"
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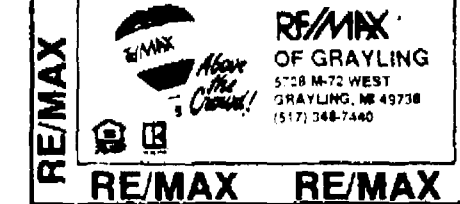
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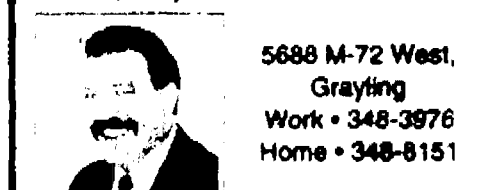
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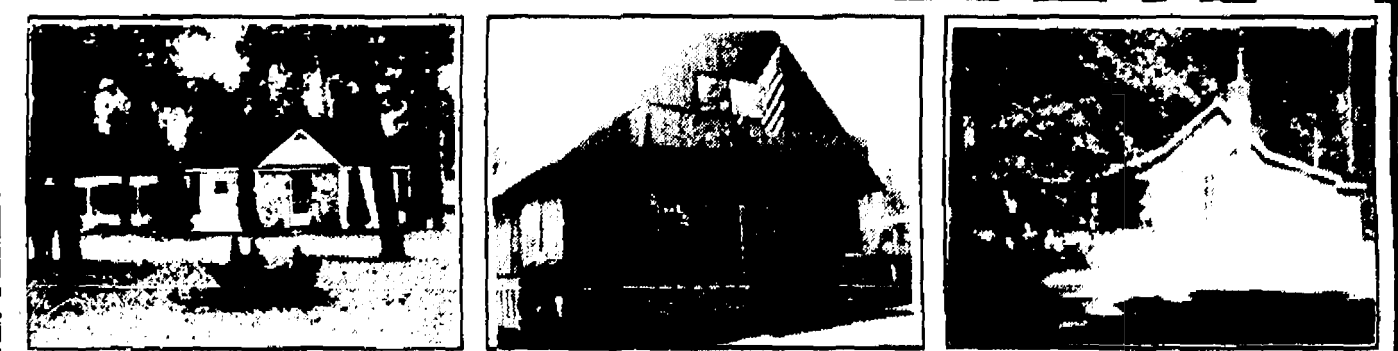
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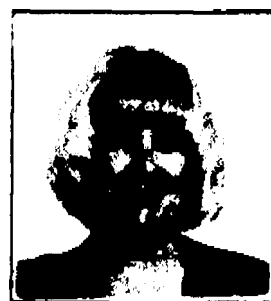
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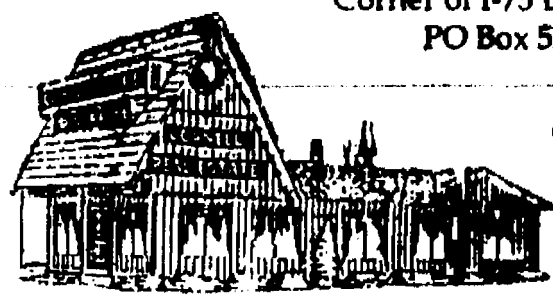
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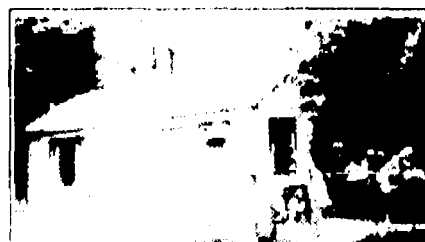
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**ELM STREET** Two lots with a variety of trees. Two-bedroom home, just remodeled, storage building and fenced yard. \$46,500. Reduced to \$42,500. (MC-499)



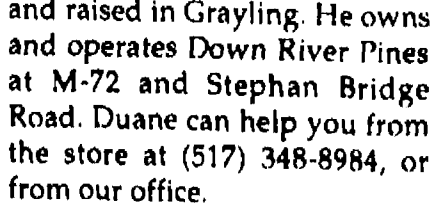
**LARGE STATELY HOME** 1.5 lots, 1,482 sq. ft., three bedrooms, small basement, garage, home recently remodeled, all appliances included, new roof and siding. \$55,000. (NN-579)



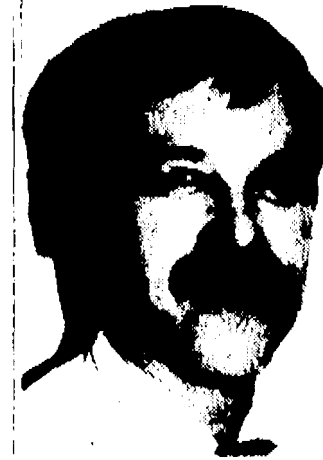
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LAB-GHS	M-T-W-R	3:30 - 7:30 pm	Woodland/Brunell
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TBA	Thurs.	9:30 - Noon	Doty
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English Lab	Mon.	6:00 - 9:30 pm	Emmons
Math Lab	Tues.	6:00 - 9:30 pm	Prause
GED Prep	Tues.	6:00 - 9:30 pm	TBA
Intro to Computers II (5.1 for DOS)	Wed.	6:00 - 9:30 pm	Ingvarsson
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### 9. Personals

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